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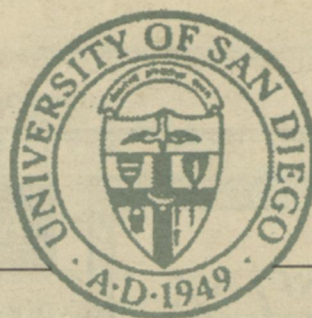
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Earthquake to shake San Diego, but when?

Derek Teaney
Staff Writer

The Silver Strand fault line, a component of the Rose Canyon Fault line, has ruptured, shaking the city of San Diego for 10 to 15 seconds with a magnitude 6.8 earthquake, the largest in the recorded seismic history of the area. Experts have predicted aftershocks to continue for several weeks, some of magnitude 5.0 or greater.

This is the basic premise of a

planning scenario the California Department of Conversation has devised, at the request of the San Diego County Office of Disaster

Preparedness, in order to analyze the seismic hazards in the area and assist in the offices emergency response planning. The scenario is purely hypothetical and based upon the occurrence of the aforementioned earthquake. The scene of the immediate aftermath of the quake is predicted to appear as follows:

Two hospitals, both within one mile of the fault rupture, are seriously damaged and all patients must be transferred elsewhere.

Although the combined number of beds of these two health facilities is small,

287, transferred to undamaged hospitals may be difficult due to road failures, massive traffic jams and landslides. Power outages have oc-

curred at hospitals around Mission Bay and Loma Portal and at least one hospital has been evacuated for 48 hours because of a liquid oxygen explosion that occurred due to faulty anchorage of tanks stored on sight.

San Diego International Airport has been closed and may remain inoperable for up to 2 weeks due to runway damage, loss of electrical power and severe damage to the east terminal, which was known to have structural components subject to poor performance during

earthquakes.

Major sections of I-5 have been closed due to damaged bridges and pavement breakage and hundreds of vehicles are trapped or abandoned, especially in the Mission Bay area, where Sea World Drive, Mission Bay Drive and Ingraham Street have all been closed for at least three days due to the intense ground shaking this area is subject to during earthquakes. Traffic jams are not

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Part Two

of a three-part VISTA series

Crew Classic



21st Annual Crew Classic hosted 80 schools at Crown Point
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VISTA goes to the polls

Kristin Chapman
Special to the VISTA

Most members of the USD community read the VISTA, showing a high level of interest in the University's student newspaper despite some pointed reservations, according to an independent survey.

The study, taken between March 1 and 18, surveyed 180 students, faculty and administrators about their use of and perception of the VISTA. The research goal was to heighten awareness among VISTA staffers and readers about the impact of the paper on campus.

Part Two

of a three-part VISTA series

Circus travels through USD

Jodie Dawson
Special to the VISTA

Entertainment with a different twist will come to USD when Marian Way becomes the scene of the Fern Street Circus Parade on Wednesday, April 20 at Noon.

The children of Linda Vista are working on designing their own personal creations to show. Bright masks and costumes are being made and jugglers are learning their tricks.

USD volunteers are working with these children daily to help them create a way to express themselves.

Sixty children between the ages of three and five from the Manchester Child Development Center, located on campus, will also be a part of the festivities. They, along with some of their parents will show off their hand-made creations.

"The aim of the parade is to express creativity and imagination," Artistic Director Cindy Zimmerman said.

The Fern Street Circus will provide professional acrobats, contortionists, stilt monsters and more to perform. This group of professionals includes John Highkin, an English professor from USD.

John Highkin and Zimmerman founded the Fern Street Circus three years ago. Annual performances occur at Grape Street Park located in Golden Hill.

USD Community service is sponsoring the parade through the Linda Vista Kids Project.

Every week USD volunteers meet with children from Carson Elementary, Montgomery Jr. High, the Linda

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According to the survey, members of the USD community do not limit themselves to one source of news, with a majority of those polled saying that the VISTA accompanies their primary news source. Seventy-two percent said their primary source of news is television, while 23 percent said they receive their news primarily from other local or national newspapers or radio. Of all those surveyed, however, 20 percent said they always read the VISTA and 65 percent read most issues of the VISTA.

Respondents commended the VISTA, a student-operated organization, for representing student perspectives. One Senior stated she likes the fact that "[the VISTA] is run by students for students — there is little faculty intervention." A Junior liked that "just because I go to [USD] I can relate to all of the articles and issues."

"Price and availability" are also two features about the VISTA that attract its readers and were considered "perks" by those surveyed. The fact that the VISTA is free and is distributed in the various corridors of USD campus buildings provides easy access to the paper for the readers.

Another factor reported as generating a high level of interest in the USD community in the VISTA is the opportunity for direct student involvement in the paper's production. Because USD has a relatively small population, the VISTA often encourages participation and help from the student body.

As one Sophomore stated, "I like the fact that

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AROUND THE WORLD



LONDON — Queen Elizabeth II has been deposed by her country's richest person by two British-based Swedes who made their fortune from milk cartons, according to a survey published yesterday.

Gad Rausing, 71, and his brother Hans, 68, top the Sunday Times list of the country's richest people with \$7.64 billion, \$294 million more than the British monarch, who remains the world's richest woman.

The Rausing family, who come eighth in the world's 10 richest, which is headed by the Sultan of Brunei, have accumulated their wealth on the back of one product — The laminated TetraPak container for milk.

VATICAN CITY — African dances, drums and songs filled St. Peter's Basilica yesterday as Pope John Paul II opened a synod of Africa's Catholic Church and appealed for an end to the slaughter in Rwanda that has marred the gathering.

The month long synod's ceremonial opening — punctuated by pounding drums, chants and rhythmic dancing — was overshadowed by the events in Rwanda where tens of thousands of people have been killed in tribal fighting.

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limited to I-5 as fires and rubble have necessitated many slow-moving detours.

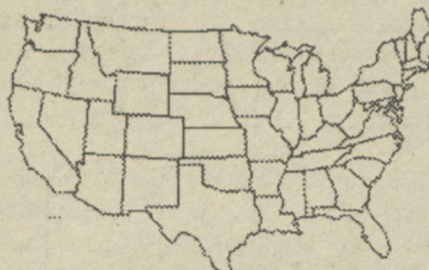
Telephone networks are not functioning and will not be repaired for at least 6 hours, with some areas without service for up to 3 days. Communication systems, such as commercial, radio, and television stations, emergency communication centers and radio systems are only operating currently at about 50 percent effectiveness, leaving the majority of residents without any way of knowing the extent of the damage or what to do next.

Residents are also literally in the dark. For the next three days the majority will be without electricity, water or gas. Fires resulting from the broken gas lines are numerous and may be the most damaging aspect from this earthquake, just as San Francisco was destroyed by fire following the 1906 quake.

This is just a sampling of the projected effects of the sample earthquake. The scenario investigates in depth every aspect of life in San Diego following the 6.8 quake, except death. The report does not even attempt to estimate the number of casualties, but assumes that there will be numerous persons in need of medical attention.

So the threat of a major earthquake in San Diego does exist and is real. The developers of this study state, "The particular event chosen for this planning scenario should not be taken as the most damaging earthquake that could occur in the area." The magnitude 7.1 quake predicted by researchers Moore and Kennedy to occur along the Rose Canyon Fault, which is right in USD's backyard, has not occurred yet and is looming on the horizon. This planning scenario has determined that San Diego will not be leveled by the tremor, but will be far from escaping unharmed. The only options available to residents of the area and students at USD is preparedness of flight, and due to the silliness of the latter option, we must make an effort to do everything in our power to be prepared.

ABOUT THE NATION



GOLDEN, Colo. — A moderate earthquake shook a sparsely populated section of eastern Idaho yesterday, the U.S. Geological Survey said. There were no reports of injuries or damage.

The quake registered a 4.6 on the Richter scale and was centered 20 miles northeast of Montpelier, Idaho, the survey said from its earthquake center in Golden.

The tremor was an aftershock from a 5.9-magnitude quake that struck Feb. 3, the survey said.

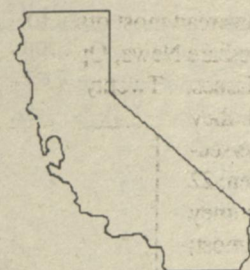
WORCESTER, Mass. — Egged on by a \$10 bet, a college student allegedly jumped from a car, shouted obscenities and assaulted a woman dressed as Barney the dinosaur.

"I said, 'Why are you doing this to me?'" said Deborah McRoy, who was dressed as Barney to celebrate the opening of a drug store. "And he said, 'Because we... hate Barney.'"

McRoy told the Telegram & Gazette that her attacker tackled her and hit her in the face after her mask fell off.

Derrick McMahan, a Worcester State College student, was charged with assault and battery.

ACROSS THE STATE



LOS ANGELES — One month after California's tough, new sentencing law passed, Los Angeles County prosecutors have filed at least 115 "three strikes, your out" cases against defendants accused of crimes ranging from petty theft to a kidnapping and brutal beating.

So far, only one case has been rejected or fully litigated, said District Attorney's Office spokeswoman Sandi Gibbons.

LOS ANGELES — State Treasurer Kathleen Brown awarded state contracts to her former law firm while accepting contributions from the firm and its staff members, a newspaper reported yesterday.

The report in the *Daily News of Los Angeles* said some of the bond counsel contracts were awarded within weeks of contributions by the firm of O'Melveny & Myers or its staff members to Brown's campaign committees.

Brown is seeking the Democratic gubernatorial nomination. Brown issued a statement saying the contracts were not improper and had nothing to do with the contributions or her employment at the firm from 1985 to 1987.

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anyone can write for [the VISTA]." Another undergrad said, "I wish more people would write and issue articles to the VISTA."

The sections read most often by those surveyed are News, Opinion and Social Issues. Twenty-three percent said they read the News section most often; 22 percent said they read Opinion most; Social Issues was read most often by 21 percent of respondents. Further down the scale were the Sidetrack, Sports and Intramurals sections, read frequently by 8 percent, 5 percent and 2 percent of respondents respectively.

These percentages are reflected in comments about particular sections of the VISTA. For instance, many people commented that they liked the variety of issues covered in the Social Issues section, appreciating that "the paper tries to cover a diverse range of student issues" and that "[the VISTA's] focus is not always on the same old issues."

Many people commented on the

Opinion section when asked what they like least. One USD undergrad said, "[the VISTA] publishes articles that are racist, sexist and homophobic." A USD faculty member commented that she "would like to see more varied opinions in the editorials."

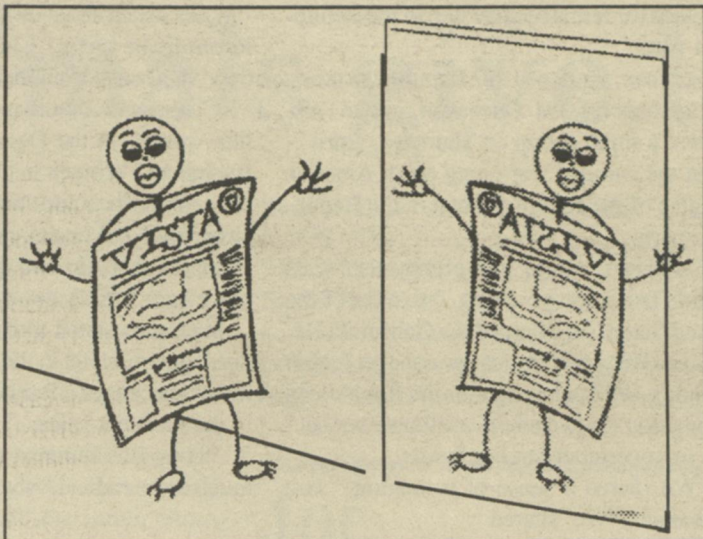
Other comments focused on the News section, encapsulating a large

"stupid," "stereotypical," and "often sexist." One Junior said "Sidetrack is so stupid, I don't read it anymore."

The advertisements run in the VISTA were met with frequent scorn by respondents, many of whom characterized the ads as "tasteless" and "degrading to women."

It is obvious, even within the small sample surveyed for this article, that the USD community is not entirely satisfied with the VISTA's performance. Nevertheless, the paper is being read. A majority of this population reads most editions of the VISTA, despite readers' criticisms.

While it is difficult to perceive the extent of support when it is masked by such criticism, the bottom line is the USD community holds a great interest in its weekly newspaper. The VISTA is read by many people in the University's community. For that mere fact, the VISTA will hopefully continue to learn and grow from interacting with its audience, while setting high standards for itself.



CIRCUS

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Vista Library, and the LV Boys and Girls Clubs.

The main focus is to help the children after school with their homework and activities.

USD students have made a variety of commitments ranging from daily or yearly to volunteer and help these children of Linda Vista.

Together USD and the Linda Vista Community hope to pull off a success with the circus parade.

Barbara Peterson, assistant director of community service said, "The simple yet

artistic approach to this circus parade hopes not only bring fun for all, but a sense of unity between USD and the Linda Vista community.

The Fern Street Circus Parade



Performers entertain all ages

will also perform at the Linda Vista Multi-Cultural Fair, Saturday April

23. This fair will host a number of different activities for the surrounding Linda Vista community.

The parade will last approximately an hour, making stops at the University Center, Maher, and various other grassy areas for short performances. It will involve children from the surrounding Linda Vista community and USD students, faculty, staff, clubs and organizations.

Those interested in becoming volunteers or performers for the Fern Street Circus Parade are encouraged to contact Community Service x4798 for further details and meeting information.

NEWS

Public Affairs

If you would like to include your event in this box, send typed information to: USD VISTA; Attn: News Editor; 5998 Alcala Park; San Diego, CA 92110-2492.

Please remember to include time, date, place, purpose, event title and some background on the event. All submissions are due two weeks prior to publication. The USD VISTA reserves the right to edit press releases for space and clarity.

7 p.m. — David Klein of the Department of Political Science will discuss "Russia: Post-Election Analysis" at a USD Invisible University Coronado seminar at the Coronado Public Library, 640 Orange Ave. Contact: Ann Hoover, 260-4828.

Friday, April 15

This week at USD

Today

"Tradition and the Vanguard: Jewish Culture in the Russian Revolutionary Era" at Founders Gallery. On loan from a private collector, the 40 works of art in the exhibition will include representative stage and costume designs, movie and theater posters, sheet music and books. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The art will be on exhibit through May 13.

Students from the School of Business Administration will present joint research findings with students from the University of Rhode Island in a videoconference underwritten by AT&T. Contact: Barbara Withers, x2658.

11:15 a.m. — Students! Meet your peers who have returned from spending a semester or summer in Aix-en-Provence or Avignon, France. Get the details of what studying abroad is really like. Founders 119. Sponsored by the Department of Foreign Languages.

11:15 a.m. — Students! Meet your peers who have returned from spending a semester or summer in Florence, Italy. Sponsored by the Department of Foreign Languages. Come to Founders 190.

Sunday, April 17

8 p.m. — Students Dewi Sofian, Ching-Feng Chang and George Ramirez will make their solo debuts on the piano when the USD Symphony stages its Spring 1994 concert in Shiley Theatre.

Monday, April 18

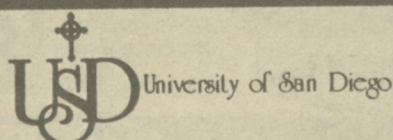
10 a.m. — Victor Ochoa, a muralist from San Diego will speak in Forum AB as a part of Cultural Awareness Week. Sponsored by MEChA and AS Social Issues.

7 p.m. — "Unity Through Diversity Celebration." All United Front and other clubs and committees will be performing skits, songs, poems, etc. Forum AB. Sponsored by AS Social Issues and AS Cultural Arts.

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Family, feminism and Republicans



Buchanan, former Treasurer of the United States, spoke of the unique situation of women in the Republican party of today.

Gene Eliassen
Staff Writer

Angela "Bay" Buchanan proved that there is a place for female leadership in the Republican party.

Buchanan, sister of 1992 Republican presidential hopeful Pat Buchanan, spoke addressed a small group on Thursday, April 7, about the cultural war going on in America and also of the role of women in the Republican party.

Buchanan, whose past accomplishments include being the youngest Treasurer of the United States, co-chair of the California Republican Party and campaign manager for her brother's 1992 campaign for the Republican nomination for president, attributes her success in government to her family.

"We shared a sense of belonging," said Buchanan. "We shared traditions and a common set of beliefs. They were little things, but you remember it and it makes you part of something."

Buchanan stated that this is one reason why so many kids decide to join gangs. They need somewhere that they can belong, and the gangs provide a family and a sense of support for them.

"A great family is the same as a great nation," remarked Buchanan.

"There is something in common, there is respect and pride. There is a feeling that you are better than the others, and that's what makes a great nation."

Buchanan attributes the cultural war going on in America to something that started years ago. Things such as pornography, taking prayer out of school and the welfare system have put people against each other.

This, according to Buchanan, is tearing our nation down and eventually will destroy it.

"The educational system has failed, the welfare system has failed," said Buchanan. "Liberals and conservatives both agree on that respect. Crime is running rampant through our country. The church has failed us, it's not there for those people that are looking for something."

"However, there is enormous hope," said Buchanan, "and it just takes one person." Buchanan told the story of an elderly woman in New York who was on the school board in Queens. This woman became upset when the school proposed using the Rainbow Curriculum, which teaches first and second graders

about the homosexual lifestyle. She called parents and stopped the curriculum from being used. "One person's fighting," stated Buchanan, "can make a change."

When asked about the role of women in the Republican party, Buchanan stated that they've always been there.

"Conservative women don't have mentors like women in the Democratic party," said Buchanan. Women in the Democratic party have earned their positions, as well they should have, said Buchanan. "They came to the Democratic table and said, 'We want our place here.' And they got it."

Buchanan stated that the reason feminists don't get involved in the conservative movement is because the feminist view has changed in the past few years.

"They [the feminist movement] are now much more radical," she stated, "and there is an anger amongst them. They don't represent mainstream women at all." Buchanan stated that there is anger towards women that stay in the home and decide against a career.

"We need to find women that will break away from that if we want to get more women involved," Buchanan stated. The main reason women don't feel at home in the Republican party, however, is because

the Republicans don't appeal on an emotional level like the Democrats.

"We use intellectual arguments," said Buchanan, "and intellectual arguments don't appeal to women like emotional arguments do."

When asked about the success of the Republican party in the 1996 election, Buchanan stated, "We need to rethink our arguments without giving them up, because I sincerely think that we are right."

"We use intellectual arguments, and intellectual arguments don't appeal to women like emotional arguments do"

-- Angela "Bay" Buchanan

"Conservative women don't have mentors like women in the Democratic party"

-- Angela "Bay" Buchanan



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CORRECTION

Jen McCann, your new AS President, was misidentified as being the first female President in USD history. In fact she is the third female to hold this position. The VISTA regrets the error.

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Animals give life to all

"A rat is a pig is a dog is a boy."

This radical new view being voiced by animal rights activists is exactly the type of barbaric thinking that will only lead to more pain and suffering for people and animals.

Animal exploration has so many practical and positive applications, including veterinary uses to save animals unnecessary pain and suffering, that only someone who is not aware of all the implications could voice such an opinion.

Animal rights activists insist there are alternatives to the use of animals in research, but little effective research can be conducted on non-living organs and organ systems. Cell and tissue cultures can help in the early stages of medical investigations, but to perfect a drug before safe human use is approved, animal testing is necessary.

The species chosen for experimentation are largely rats, mice and other rodents, making up 90 percent of the experimental subjects. Dogs and cats make up less than one percent of the subjects, as well as monkeys and primates who also make up less than one percent of the experimental subjects.

These radical animal rights advocates equate lives of rats to lives of men and women, and would just as soon see people die from cancer, heart disease or AIDS

than to allow animals to be used in research. The co-director of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), Ingrid Newkirk, stated, "I don't believe human beings have the right to life, that is a supremacist perversion." I hope Newkirk realizes that if she ever accepts treatment for any of a number of diseases she will be

Joe Comins

Staff Writer

a hypocrite — she will have saved her life at the expense of the animal testing she condemns.

She, along with other members of PETA, have overlooked the Animal Welfare Act of 1966 which stiffened standards on housing, feeding, cleanliness, ventilation, temperature, painkillers and brought about more humane care of animals in our nation's research facilities.

PETA's opinion that animals are treated inhumanely is absurd — they are better off than many of the human prisoners in this country. Experiments are carried out without any pain or trauma to the animals in 94 percent of the experiments, with the remaining 6 percent containing some necessary, but minimal pain for the animal.

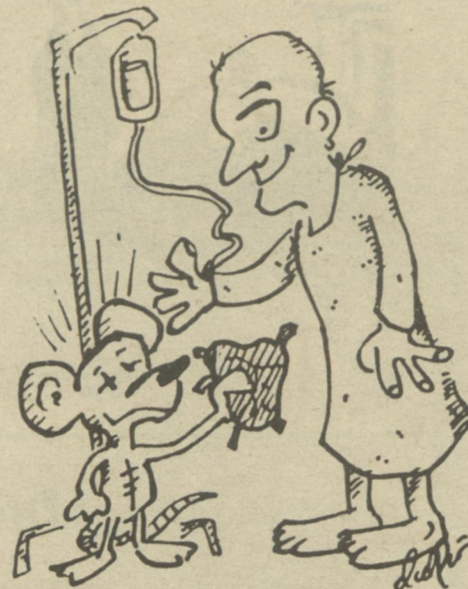
A common myth about animal exploration is that many trivial tests are carried out. There is economic pressure against unnecessary testing by providing limited availability to funding and crediting only one-third of the submitted proposals as scientifically worthy. This stringent process to obtain funding directs funds toward projects of significance, while decreasing the chance that laboratory animals will be abused for insignificant projects.

Experimenters are portrayed as unconcerned about the condition of their animals. This is untrue, for scientists must use healthy animals to insure results. Experimenters introduce one independent variable at a time to ensure results are not dependent on several circumstances.

Continued animal research is being used because almost every major medical breakthrough is a direct result of animal research. Some cured illnesses or improved treatments resulting from animal research are polio, rubella, diabetes and heart disease. One medication manufactured as a result of animal testing controls high blood pressure and has saved 50 million lives alone.

According to Newkirk, animal research is a "supremacist perversion." However, there is overwhelming evidence that such research has resulted in improvements in the animal world as well.

Research has allowed scientists to create breeding programs for endangered species,



saving several forms of life on this planet. Artificial joints and pacemakers have been used in animals to continue and improve their lives. New drugs and pain-killers for animals are being developed. Animal blood banks are being formed for injured animals and surgical purposes. Cancer is the number one cause of death in animals over 10-years-old, yet just like people these animals are benefiting from advanced radiation treatments.

When all the facts are known about the millions upon millions of people and animals helped each year, the belief in animal research is easily justified.

Human beings, as well as animals, have an inherent desire to live and survive, according to Charles Darwin's theory of the "survival of the fittest." In order for medicine to advance, animal research is necessary.

OPINION

Letters

Write to us!

The USD VISTA welcomes all types of letters for print. Please keep letters less than one page long. All letters must be signed and must include a phone number for verification purposes but names can be withheld upon request.

Bring your letter to the VISTA office (downstairs in the UC) by Saturday at Noon, typed on 8 1/2 X 11 paper or mail it to: USD VISTA; c/o Letter to the Editor; 5998 Alcala Park; San Diego, CA 92110-2492.

The USD VISTA reserves the right to select and edit letters to be published.

In Defense of AS

In response to the editorial titled "Elections? What Elections?," why must we point fingers and promote further apathy with articles such as these? Why can't we collectively solve the admitted problem of apathy on this campus?

I currently hold the position of assistant director of Cultural Arts. Before this year, I never held an Associated Students position or served on an AS committee.

I didn't know any members beyond an occasional greeting or study group. I joined AS to get involved and to enhance my college

experience.

The editorial makes many biased and unfounded comments about the organization. While I cannot speak for the entirety of the Associated Students, I can dispel any AS myths that directly affect me.

First, members of AS receive a yearly stipend. However, this is not a paycheck. It is averaged into my financial aid package as a work-service award to reduce the amount of loans. I will never see a dime of the money.

Secondly, my responsibilities in AS include attending committee, program and adviser meetings, holding office hours and attending the events that I have programmed. As an assistant, I can spend as much as 15 to 20 hours a week on AS

activities amidst a full course load and two outside jobs. I am doing this for anything but money.

In addition, the editorial claims that Associated Students provides programs addressing a limited group; namely its members.

Among the activities I have personally programmed have been bands in the Grille, such as reggae, big band, country and blues. I have brought dancers and entertainers to perform in front of the UC, including the Irish children the editorial mentions. I have co-sponsored events with various groups in the United Front and other AS committees.

I have continually solicited ideas and comments from committee members, none of which are AS office-holders, and the student population.

Rather than contributing to the apathy on the campus or passively booing on the sidelines, I have gotten involved in Associated Students and many other USD programs in the hope that I could positively affect this University.

If this is not good enough for you, USD student, then I

sincerely wish you would show me how to do it better.

Jennifer Perry

Assist. Cultural Arts Director

VISTA Knows AS

Like the VISTA editorial on the elections (Apr. 7, "Elections? What elections?"), I too was disappointed with the election turn out and the results. This past election gave students a unique opportunity — to vote for students who have not been entrenched in the "AS system" since entering this University.

One candidate in particular (who ran for the Vice-President of Student Issues position) offered not only a fresh change for the school but also new ideas.

This candidate worked to get his name known producing thousands of pieces of campaign literature which included informative brochures, biographies and impressive quotes.

In fact, I was one of the

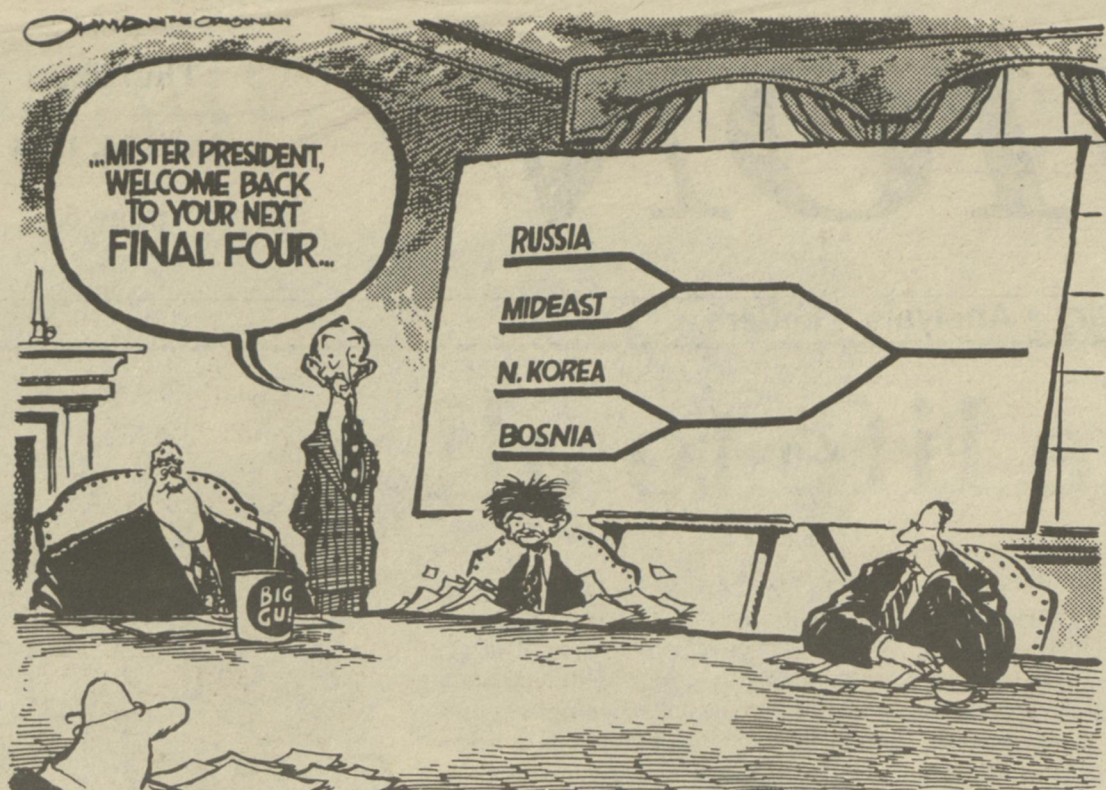
students who received a phone call from this candidate reminding me to vote. He answered the few questions I had and stressed the importance of voting in general as opposed to merely voting for him.

The AS, while continuing to collect money from all students, has become "an exclusive clique" controlled by a very small percentage of the student population deciding how our money should be spent.

This "wall" that the AS places around itself discourages many students from wanting to waste their time getting involved. As the VISTA commented, such apathy is destructive not only to the students but to the University as a whole.

The students made their choice, but once again proved the theory that incumbency is the key to success. Unless students begin to take an objective look at candidates, editorials such as the one written in the VISTA will continue to be repeated year

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Quote of the Week

“Now he's gone and joined that stupid club.”

— Wendy O'Connor, Kurt Cobain's mother, likening her son's death to the deaths of Jimi Hendrix, Jim Morrison and Janis Joplin

Martyr of our generation

Through death, Kurt Cobain cries out for us all

The electronic age has ignited a new culture of youth in the 1990s. Kurt Cobain, lead singer and guitarist for the band Nirvana, was one flame in the burning fire of music history.

His death has had a tremendous impact on most who idolized him. Cobain's death has left a trail of Nirvana fans crying in frustration and disbelief. But many of these fans are not paying their respects as much as they are expressing regret that there will be no more Nirvana albums. Or possibly it was not the albums, but the media coverage that fans will miss.

Why is this? Most people did not know Cobain personally. Who are these people who grieve so much for someone they only met through a music video or magazine article? They comprise Douglas Coupland's Generation X.

This “yet-to-be-defined” generation that Coupland has, ironically, defined are the first victims of the electronic age. They were the first to grow up completely surrounded by electronic media. They are also the remains of what was an awesome wave of divorce in the 1980s.

Cobain, along with Nirvana, was a member of this generation, although he was economically successful. In this context, he has been the complete antithesis of Coupland's “slacker” hypothesis. He has grasped success according to historical standards (e.g., material wealth, a family life.), but these rewards just did not suffice.

Success is defined best by those who do not look for the definition. Coupland looked for an entire generation and came up short-handed. Why do we attribute so much time to someone who devalues our generation as Coupland does? He erects sociological boundaries, while Cobain was one to break them down. Yet, media and public interest continued to make Cobain's life more miserable by invading his

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privacy. Although he may have been in the public eye, he disdained it. Cobain had a different quest for success.

There is something more than simply being successful that pumps adrenaline through the veins of today's youth. For many of this belittled generation Nirvana was more than the covert new wave attitude, the nihilistic punk rock fury or the blasphemous rebellion. Cobain's performance was not simply of mind and body, but of soul. The Nirvana experience was synonymous with what some religious fanatics may consider spiritual. Their music enlightened to a generation that, largely rejects religious standards.

Nirvana's music gave their fans something to cling to when there was nothing else worth clinging to. Bandwagon jumping was allowed. Cobain opened his heart and gave this generation something to be proud of — who they are.

This is how his true fans saw him. It is unfortunate that artists always suffer in the marketplace of ideas.

Cobain appeared to be one who suffered so painfully on tour. He battled drug addictions and a stomach ailment to bring his fans a good show. This is not representative of Coupland's Generation X, but is its denial.

Although the end should not justify the means, for Cobain it did. Jim Morrison of the Doors was said to believe that life is much worse than death. When you die the pain ends. That much as time now for Cobain.

Cobain made himself immortal to satisfy everyone, including himself. He gave freedom to youths who have been enslaved by Coupland's words. He gave a purpose to those who had none. He was a martyr for the youth of today.

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after year.

I hope that this particular person will run again, for he will have my vote — and hopefully your's too.

Name withheld upon request

‘Look’ at More Women, Minorities

I am writing with reference to the Outlook section of the VISTA, specifically the music reviews. You stated in the April 7, 1994 edition of the VISTA that, “(the paper's) mission is basically to reflect the diversity of the (USD) community ...” With this in mind, the Outlook section is clearly not following your mission statement.

Why aren't women and minority artists reviewed weekly? Only rarely do I see such reviews. Surely this cannot be for lack of material, for there exist a plethora of talented women and minority musical artists. They deserve space in the VISTA.

Also, since the female-to-male ratio at USD is something like 2:1, it also can't be because there isn't a female audience.

Incorporating more women and minority musical artists into Outlook will increase interest and readership for the VISTA. If the VISTA wants “to educate and to report on news” as well as represent the diversity of USD students it would seem that such would be reflected in the articles. I have yet to see this reflected in the Outlook section. I hope to see changes in future issues.

Bonnie Morris

Student

Anti-Hemp is Pro-Ignorant

In response to James Finete's editorial (April 7, “Pro-dopers are pro duped”), I feel that there are several points of his which are grossly inaccurate and misrepresent the motives and actions of pro-hemp legislation.

His myths and trivializations of the usefulness of marijuana as both a plant and a drug are just what the aim of such organizations as HEMP (Help End Marijuana Prohibition) and

NORML (National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws) are trying to dispel. Indeed, marijuana has potential for abuse, as does most anything in our society, but in contrast to such vices as sex abuse and alcoholism, it seems to be a relatively benign threat to our society.

Finete credits the “pot smokers” as being the prime directive in the fight for legalization, but with closer inspection I am sure he will find that most Superior Court cases dealing with marijuana involve medical professionals and patients undergoing treatment for AIDS, cancer and glaucoma. THC and its synthetic counterpart, Marinol (also intoxicating), have long been known to alleviate symptoms of glaucoma and the side effects of chemotherapy, with no comprable alternative.

Aside from its medical uses, marijuana grows very rapidly, and the Sierra Club has endorsed its use to replace rain forests and logging acreage, as it grows at a rate two to four times faster than any of the existing shrubbery and is much more effective at stopping erosion. The marijuana plant has grown naturally in all parts of the world and has been used by man for thousands of years.

Hopefully Finete, and the masses of ignorant, misinformed people like him will someday realize that “pot smokers” are not “exploiting” cancer and AIDS victims for the mere right to get high. The movement against prohibition is led by responsible, legitimate and concerned citizens and victims.

I don't know what interests Finete represents in his article, but his allegations are preposterous, and most seem to represent not the concern for responsible marijuana use, but for the concern for the shallow hysteria which has always plagued conservative do-gooders like himself.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Rick Martinez for his informative article on such a tabooed subject, it is my hope that one day marijuana will be used legally in medicine and industry, and possibly even recreationally. But for this to be possible, there needs to be both education and the recognition by our narrow-minded neighbors that marijuana is not a root of evil origin, but a natural gift, to be used and enjoyed responsibly and moderately.

A. Michael Cutri

NORML member

VISTA Opinion Phone Poll

Is the death of Kurt Cobain as important to the history of rock music as the death of John Lennon?

Yes
22%



No
78%

Note: What, if anything, does this mean?

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Battle waged over video games' content

Joseph Comins
Staff Writer

"FINISH HIM!" This expletive surfaces during the popular video game "Mortal Kombat," after the opponent is beaten. The thrill of victory is achieved by ripping his head off, spine still attached!

As video games such as "Mortal Kombat" increase in form and intensity, a battle of a different sort has been waged as to whether or not they are too violent and encourage aggression in today's children.

Some experts have observed increased aggressive behavior in children after playing such violent video games. On the other hand, video enthusiasts insist video games are harmless, and merely offer an easy way to relieve stress.

Technology is advancing faster than the studies that determine the long-range behavioral effects caused by video game playing. Although the prime video game audience has been boys from eight to 14 years of age, the current target involves other segments of the population, including adult males and young girls.

Females are the target of Walt Disney video games such as "Aladdin" or "The Little Mermaid," which rely on beautiful pictorial representations.

Games that directed toward men are more action-oriented; they often depict scenarios of heroes destroying evil foes. These action-oriented games begin slowly and increase in intensity until all effort is focused on achieving the next level.

The popularity of Sega's "Mortal Kombat" and Nintendo's "Street Fighter" prompted a need for a rating system. Sega was the first company to step forward and establish its own rating system. Although Sega's attempt at internal control was a start, an independent party may step in and control ratings.

Ironically, the result of a rating system might prove a signal to kids: "This is exactly what I want."

What originally seemed like a passing fad for young men has grown into a global market of \$10 billion annually. The U.S. market

alone consumes \$5.3 billion annually, \$400 million more than the movie industry.

Virtual reality and interactive games are the next phase, increasing the games' intensity and creating a more engrossing role for the participant. In the past, virtual reality was reserved for flight simulators in the military, but new technology now has brought three-dimensional possibilities to private living rooms. Joysticks and keyboards will become obsolete; virtual reality will require new tools

games, more "realistic" football games, street basketball and boxing games. This does not include the wide array of "ultimate warrior type" games, and the customer's obsession with being the toughest brawler in the galaxy. A message is being sent to younger game players saying that violent games are more fun, realistic and mature.

Improved graphics and more realistic life-and-death situations narrow the gap between reality and make-believe. A psychological numbing is the result of consistently playing such realistic games. Players appear less shocked by news of death and disaster after the willful interactive slaughtering of hundreds to thousands of characters hourly.

Although it seems video game producers are out to entrap people in unhealthy, addictive behavior patterns, there are several positives to this technological progress. Both Nintendo and Sega are working on interactive educational software. This software will help make learning more interactive on an individual level. In addition, children and adults can actively use CD systems to learn within their own chosen environment. With educational software, children can master a variety of tasks and topics, and the software provides a method of learning that caters to individual needs and speed.

Technology creates both liabilities and benefits to society. Do we need to worry about kids playing video games and becoming aggressive, insensitive creatures? In "Me-

diated Messages: Gender, Class and Cosmos in Home Video Games," Christine Ward Galley writes about studies that showed children had minimal, if any, aggressive tendencies after playing video games. There is often more yelling, noise and movement around video games than the television, but according to Mitchell

that is due to interaction among family members, not video games. Children receive stimuli from their classes, culture, community and experiences, creating their own personality and set of decision-making criteria. Today's video games are just one small facet influencing this decision-making.

So, are video games at fault for the problems of today's children? The issue continues to be battled out by concerned adults against the games and those who market them. Let the games continue ...



Experts believe that games such as Mortal Kombat provoke aggression.

such as helmets and hand-held controls.

New games that encourage intense competition have been created to keep adult males from abandoning their trigger-happy fingers.



Interactives are next for video games.

Continued interest in games such as "Mortal Kombat," "Street Fighter," and "John Madden's Football" have created viable and interesting options for a mature game-playing audience.

One new hockey game tested on a group of 25-year-olds left the research participants asking the all-important question, "Where's the blood?" It seems the more violent the sports game, the more popular it is. Evidence to support this craze for violent games is the increasing demand for new hockey

SOCIAL ISSUES

Internships

Education outside of the classroom

Laurie Kovach
Staff Writer

The number of students pursuing careers in the mass media is soaring. As the field has become increasingly popular, the competition has become increasingly demanding. With so many mass media hopefuls, how does one go about getting one's foot in the door?

The first step is getting an internship.

Internships in media industries enable students to step away from the classroom and have a peek at what really goes on behind the scenes. This can be the breaking point for many people who may realize that this is not the glamorous field that it is cracked up to be, but instead involves a lot of hard work, dedication, persistence and rejection.

For those who have an interest in the media, an internship may also open doors to a career.

"This experience has given me terrific connections and I've learned so much through hands-on training and observing," said USD senior Jen Hardin, who assists local television anchor Denise Yamada, of KNSD.

Receiving a degree in Communication Studies is a step in the right direction, but it does not nearly go far enough. The communication degree helps to gain insight into the field, but it is more important to gain actual experience and training through those who already work with the media.

My communication courses helped me learn about useful skills and to develop techniques within the media, but I learned more in my four-month internship than I have in my three years of classroom lectures. During my semester abroad in Oxford, England, I had an internship with BBC Radio Oxford, which not only enabled me to gain experience in the media, but also helped me to learn about the mass media of a different culture.

From the moment I walked into the station, I was given a warm welcome by all of the producers and coordinators. They were not only willing to train me, but were willing to work with me and help me to develop the necessary skills for the job. I learned to use all of the equipment, was able to conduct interviews, did my own editing, and eventually had a feature broadcast over the air. The experience gave me the background and training that I need, and it

gave me the encouragement to pursue a career in the media once I returned to the U.S.

I was very surprised that I did not work as the "gopher" of the station. Instead, I was treated as a part of the station. Because this was the only experience that I had with the media, I was not certain whether I would be greeted with the same welcome and given the same autonomy once I returned to America.

"I have always been treated as an equal," Hardin said of her experience at KNSD. "I have never felt intimidated and everyone has been very friendly and encouraging."

Hardin added that she has never had to play the part of the gopher or serve coffee. Many times people associate the term "intern" with inexperience in a derogatory tone, but she has never been subjected to that at KNSD, she said.

The most important criteria for getting into the mass media field are good contacts and experience. Many times people find jobs from word of mouth and in this field it definitely helps to know people. An internship can help to establish these ties as well as fill the resume.

"Through my work I have been able to work on my tape," Hardin said. "Being an assistant I am able to get exact pointers, and they tell me what is good and what doesn't work."

Because of the high demand and competition in the field, internships tend to fill up quickly. It is important to begin looking well in advance to get into the internship that is right for you. It is recommended to plan a semester ahead.

"You have to be persistent and prove yourself," Hardin said. "They want to see persistence and determination, otherwise, it's not worth it for them to take you on."

The best way to go about finding an internship is to call local stations and ask for the person that is in charge of interns. From that point, send a copy of your resume and continuously follow up on it.

"The important thing is to get an internship in something that you really want to do," Hardin said. "Too often people take internships because they can't find anything else, but it doesn't help anyone by getting into a field knowing that it is not what they want to do."

Commentary

Holy brainmush! Zap! Boom! Pow!

■ The evolution of comic books tells a story beyond mere pictures

Joseph Comins
Staff Writer

PoW! ZaP! Blam!

These are common words found in a comic book from the 1970s and early '80s. In the '90s, comics have transformed into a different animal altogether. They now require more action-oriented plots and have become modern-day "graphic novels."

The evolution of comic books brings up many points of contention among social critics and parents. Do comic books destroy young minds? Do they reflect contemporary social issues? Are comics, as a genre of American literature, worth discussing at all? Perhaps the history of comics tells a story of its own.

Comics began in the late 19th century with the "Yellow Kid." The first American product to go international, the "Yellow Kid" was published in Joseph Pulitzer's newspaper, *The World*, before it was syndicated in 1914. "Yellow Kid" helped to create the standards for how comic strips were handled by newspapers.

Ninety percent of comics are purchased by men. The average comic reader is a 25 year old male who has a college education, said Tom Ballou, the advertising director for DC Comics in New York City. In the magazine *American Demographics*, Ballou said that this consumer makes on average \$39,000 annually and is considered a "quiet yuppie."

"They're not the guys working on Wall Street," Ballou said. "They're computer programmers, loan officers and real estate brokers (and) they're big into their toys."

Baby boomers helped comic books achieve an all-time peak in the 1950s. Children were reading between 50 and 75 comics per week. Now that baby boomers have grown up and formed families, they have created a demand

for 5,000 specialty comic book shops across the nation. The stores serve as a connection for adults to their childhood. Some men live vicariously through their children, introducing them to the form of reading they enjoyed as children.

Comics have evolved to suit the times. Early comics were filled with naivete and optimism. "Krazy Kat" for example, ran during the Depression era and focused on the traits and qualities of the working class. The messages were deeply philosophical and were sensitive to the human condition.

Parents and religious authorities spoke out against comics during the 1950s. They felt comics featured adult themes, bigotry, torture, gore and profanity. As a result of the hostility and resentment comics were toned down.

In the 1940s the first superheroes were born, including Tarzan, Superman and Buck Rogers. These superheroes' adventures depicted fantasies requiring superhuman powers to overcome devastatingly dehumanizing powers, the dehumanizing power was fascism. Comics carried with them a lighter sense of the realistic situation across the world. "G.I. Joe" is an example of propaganda used to boost morale in the States. In "G.I. Joe", the characters never died but instead came back alive. This reassured Americans that World War II was a good war and that victory was imminent.

MAD magazine which first appeared in the 1950s, preached social justice and exposed hypocrisy. The countercultural tilt of MAD frightened parents once again. When the comic books started to move underground in the 60s, the generation gap widened.

Comics during this era focused more on social issues and represented a voice of dissent. The comics questioned authority and addressed issues that were considered taboo by older generations. The targeted audience

consisted of college students who were interested in peace and sexual liberation. For older generations, such comics were much too liberal for their liking.

As baby boomers go into today's comic book shops to spark interest in their children towards reading, they are often accused of teaching them "bad habits." In "Seduction of the Innocent," Frederic Wertham inspired educators, parents and teachers' groups to control the content of U.S. comic books. Wertham described the books' content as "an evasion of reading and almost its opposite."

In his view, comic books in no way prepare children for block-text reading. Comics use misspelled words phonetically for sound, while highlighting and bolding some words for emphasis. The books are also considered choppy reading because they jump between words to pictures.

While comics are a good source of humor and entertainment, experts warn that they should not be used as a substitute for other reading materials. By reading comics predomi-

nantly, individuals supposedly become habitual picture readers, unable to focus on text-only passages.

As comic books continue to evolve as a genre of literature, the question of their influence on the psyche of young America remains.



In the '50s, children were reading between 50 and 75 comic books per week.

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other medium in history. It is the leading medium for national advertisers.

One example of this is the Super Bowl, which has become the biggest and most important advertising showcase in the media. The cost of a 30-second spot during the game is more than \$800,000. Advertising times during the Super Bowl are used for well-known and promoted ideas such as Budweiser's Bud Bowl, and as a forum for unveiling new ads.

One reason that Americans obviously love their TVs is that they see it as free entertainment. Unlike many other countries, the U.S. has no tax on the media in order to support it. This leaves the media to rely only on advertising for the majority of their funding. Yet, it is

important to realize that TV is not there to serve the audience. It is basically intrusive in that commercials impose themselves on viewers as they watch their favorite programs.

The role of magazines and newspapers is also significant in advertising in the media. Magazines rank only second to TV as the most popular medium for national advertisers,

as they are very selective and helpful in reaching specific types of customers and market segments; the specialization they represent ranges from parenting to automotive, and allows advertisers to target consumers who they know will be interested in their products.

Since 70 percent of American households receive newspapers, they represent the largest advertising medium in terms of total volume.

Newspapers, but mainly magazines, also consider "pass-along readership." This term means that more than one

person is likely to read one copy of any magazine.

Advertising clearly plays an immense role in the media, often to a greater extent than many consumers realize. Much research and planning is done in order to achieve financial gain for both advertisers and the media.

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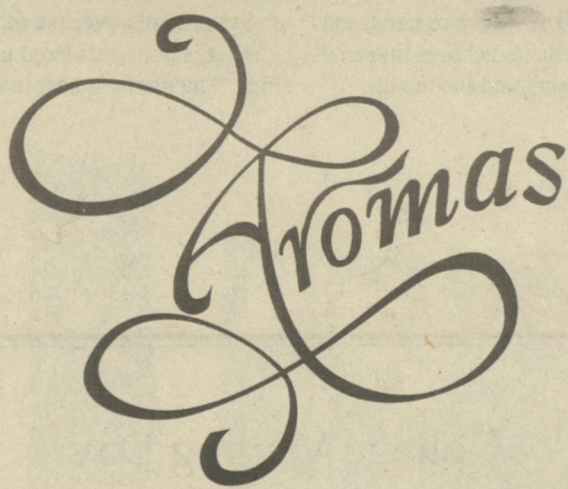
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INTRAMURALS

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Events • Results • Schedules

Parity? try telling that to Nice Huh?

With one week remaining in the regular season for 5x5 basketball, parity seems to have struck the A-league. Parity, except for one team that is. **Nice Huh?** continues to make a shambles of the opposition. Last week's victim was **Sigma Pi** who brought a proud 3-1 record into the contest but left with a 78-51 defeat. Randy Rivera, Allen McNamee and Cary Duckworth had 20, 19 and 18 points respectively for the victors.

How balanced is the rest of the league? **Phi Kap-A** holds down second place at 3-1 but would have a second loss were it not for the fact that **Barrio Bashers** had only four players to play against them last week. After Mo Chavez's team picked up a fifth player from the crowd, they took the **Phi Kap** team apart.

Speaking of four-person teams, **Can Anyone Beat Us?**, probably the second-best team, really did use only four players in defeating **Who's Here** 77-63. Unfortunately, they too were forced to forfeit their victory.

This final week will clearly determine playoff spots as only one has been clinched and all eight other teams are mathematically alive for the final five spots.

In the B-league, the game of the week was a battle of unbeatens that came down to the last shot. Dan Furleigh's running one-hander with five seconds left pushed **Black and Blue** past **Lex Talonis** 45-44. Furleigh finished the game with 19 points while Victor Cruz added 14 points and 18 rebounds. Way to go Dennis. All you need to do is dye your hair.

The story of the week, however, belonged to **Illegal But Women**. This (almost) all-female team finally got their first on-court victory. Not only did Rachael Chism's team get a victory, they completely humiliated **Hey Butt Breath**, 69-38. Last week, Scott MacInnes' team became the first to give up 100 points. This week, they lost to the women. Next week...

Elsewhere, the top teams remained unbeaten. **Get It Up, Put It In** weren't pretty, but they did take **Red Roosters III** out of the playoff picture with a 44-29 victory. In reality, all of the **Red Roosters'** games have

been pretty ugly, so we won't hold it against the top team.

The no. 2 team, **Cadence of Silk**, struggled in the absence of center Spyros Stavrinides, but also found a way to win. That way was through the play of Dustin Engel who scored 29 points in the 48-43 victory over **Candy Coated Clowns**.

There must have been something in the air because the no. 4 ranked team, **Forty In Hand**, also had their problems before pulling out the victory. This normally explosive team was held in check by **Pick N Roll the J.** Greg Bettinelli's team trailed 22-21 at the half before rebounding for a 51-43 victory.

The new No.5 ranked team this week is **Delta Tau Delta**. The **Delts** have a 3-1 record in arguably the league's toughest division and last week turned in their best performance. **Sigma Chi** was the 50-24 victim.

Other B-league winners last week included: **KGB FM**, **Team Pumbo**, **Nice Racks**, **Ballswat**, **Asian-Caucasian Invasion**, **Dream Team 3**, **American Three-Fold** (their second victory in four years) and **We'll Audit You Too** (Not!).

In the faculty/staff league, **Arts and Sciences** had a tune-up game before their contest with **Sports Center**. Unfortunately, someone forgot to tell Patrick Noma and his **Taking It To The Hoop** team that they were just a warm-up act. Noma scored 19 points, Ryan Marsh added nine and Abdi Jami scored 11 as the underdogs gave Dwight Bean's team all they could handle. **Arts and Sciences** needed all of Mitch Malachowski's 20 points to pull out the 47-41 victory and remain unbeaten.

In the other contest, Fernando Hernandez defeated Troy Shivers. Actually, it was the **P/P Ballers** who clinched a playoff spot with a 34-32 victory over **Bookstore**. It only seemed like a one on one contest as Hernandez scored 24 points for the victors while Shivers totalled 18 in defeat.

Domino's Winner: In a complete no-brainer decision, the (almost) all-female team of **Illegal But Women** win the pizza for their first-ever on-court victory.

The event of the semester is "Over-the-Line"

The event you have all been waiting for is almost here. the tournament that has been called "the most fun you can have on a Saturday" is just around the corner. If you haven't guessed by now, we are talking about the Over The Line Tournament.

This year's event will be held on Mariner's Point on April 23 and will once again feature teams from USD, UCSD, and San Diego State. In fact, it is legal to have mixed teams with players from different schools combining. The only eligibility restriction is that each of the three players be a full-time student enrolled in one of the three univer-

sities.

Play will be held in four divisions: men's open, women's open, co-rec (one man/two women or two men/one woman) and fraternity. Each USD fraternity will be allowed to enter two teams in the fraternity division. Any others can be placed in the open division.

In addition to the tournament and a guaranteed four games per team, there will be hamburgers and hot dogs on sale for \$1 and soft drinks provided free by Pepsi. The entry fee is \$15 per team and must be in no later than Friday, April 22 at 2 p.m.

Does No Ka Oi really mean no. 1?

Does anyone want to play football? This year has started out slower than any years in recent memory. Due to terrible weather and a string of forfeits not many games have been played.

The first game of the day had no. 1 ranked (Ha! Ha!) **No Ka Oi** against **Fancher**. A no show by **Fancher** gave **No Ka Oi** the pseudo-win. In the second game, **Fancher** showed up to play **Dazed and Confused**. They should have stayed home. **Dazed and Confused**, led by Spike McEachern's four touchdown-pass performance to Dave "ooh my eye" Engel, were simply too much for Rusty DeHorn and company to handle. (DeHorn needs to teach Watts how to catch).

The next game matched up **No Ka Oi** against **Fat Hazis/Ready Ishas**. **No Ka Oi** cruised to an easy 18-0 victory with few problems. The highlights of this game were watching Dan O'Dea trying to play quarterback while hung over and watching Lang Wasanda get walked down from behind by Buddy Brewer much like Lamar Thomas was caught from behind by George Teague two years ago in the Fiesta Bowl.

The final game of the day was **Notre D.A.M.E.S.** vs. the **Phi Kapps**. The **Phi Kapps** were no shows thus giving the "should be no. 1, but are no. 3 ranked **D.A.M.E.S.** the victory.

Self-proclaimed Heisman Trophy winner Mo Chavez has dedicated the season to winning a t-shirt for his graduating roommate Jose Sanchez. With all the speed that **Notre D.A.M.E.S.**'s has, Sanchez might get his shirt.

Water polo tourney set for Saturday

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IM distinctions: best of April 4-10

MEN'S SOFTBALL

Game: Sigma Chi vs. Phi Kapps
Team: Off The Wall
Player: Pete Halmos

MEN'S FLOOR HOCKEY

Game: Little Men/Big Sticks vs. Mauling Vikings
Team: Hansen's
Player: Tim Hatatanen

CO-REC SOFTBALL

Game: Doggie Style vs. Bats N Balls
Team: Bats N Balls
Male Player: Dan O'Dea
Female Player: Jenny Martin

CO-REC FOOTBALL

Match: No Ka Oi vs. Fat Hazi's
Team: No Ka Oi
Male Player: Joe Khouri
Female Player: Alison Taba

CO-REC VOLLEYBALL

Match: Foreplay vs. Magi-Do
Team: Foreplay
Male Player: Luis Doffo
Female Player: Stephanie Hays

CO-REC SOCCER

Game: Still Kicken vs. We're Da Shirts
Team: Still Kicken
Male Player: Ben Miller
Female Player: Faith Malory

INDOOR SOCCER

Game: Still Perfect vs. Untouchables
Team: Still Perfect
Player: Cameron Peach

5x5 (A) BASKETBALL

Game: Phi Kap C vs. Can Anyone Beat Us?
Team: Nice Huh?
Player: Curtis Demers

5x5 (B) BASKETBALL

Game: Black and Blue vs. Lex Talonis
Team: Illegal But Women
Player: Dustin Engel

5x5 (F/S) BASKETBALL

Game: Arts and Sciences vs. Takin' It to the Hoop
Team: P/P Ballers
Player: Fernando Hernandez

MEN'S TENNIS

Match: Bryan Davis vs. Francois Carriere
Player: J.R. Rodriguez

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Match: Kelly Kreisle vs. Farren Last
Player: Farren Last

Sigma Pi turns rematch into rout

The showdown between no. 1 **Sigma Pi** and no. 2 **Flogging Your Mom** in men's softball turned out to be more of a laugher in the much anticipated rematch of last semester's two finalists. In a short phrase, **Flogging Your Mom** did not come to play while the "Men of Purple" played solid defense and got the big hits when they needed them. The Pi's won 14-6.

Steve Watts, Pete Halmos, Brad Miller, and Kyle Douglas put together 15 hits between them as the **Sigma Pi** sticks blasted the "Mother Flogger's" once-dominating pitcher. The Pi's are the no. 1 team heading into the playoffs which begin this Sunday and may be on their way to a repeat performance.

Despite the Pi's great performance, the day belonged to Chad Czernik's **Off the Wall** who mercy-ruled two strong opponents on their way to Pepsi Team of the Week honors. They demolished **Balls Out** 20-5, and **Gas House Gang** 13-2. Scott Severe and Pat Costello carried big bats for the league's most surprising team as together they had 10 hits on the day. Look for this ever-improving team to turn some heads come playoff time and possibly play a role in the battle for the cloth.

The league's most powerful team, **Men**

Among Boys continued their domination with a 17-6 romping of the **Candy Coated Clowns**. Greg Sundberg and Allen McNamee were the stars offensively for the future champions, while Sean Parks struck out against Mr. Intramurals on one ugly swing.

Two players, other than those already mentioned, were the talk of the field. They were Curtis DeMeers and Jason Concannon. DeMeers played in a ski boot-like medical device while Concannon played just three days after getting his knee scoped. This is the kind of intramural dedication that makes this league so great.

The most crucial game of the day was the battle for the playoff spot between the **Sons of Garvey** and **I Hate Zing**. The young and emotional freshmen put to bed **I Hate Zing** 18-5. Danny Batsallum and Jared Saba led the way for Garvey's kin. They play their Maher peer, the **Gas House Gang** in the opening round of Sunday's playoffs.

The surprise of the day saw **Sigma Chi** get past **Phi Kappa Theta** 15-11. With this win, the Chi's earned the #3 playoff spot for their division and the right to get spanked by **Men Among Boys**. The Sigs erupted for 10 runs in the first inning led by Justin Reeve and Bryan Lynch.

Wellness corner Tips for health

Gary Becker
IM/Rec Director

Wellness is more than personal fitness and nutrition. It also encompasses the areas of health, safety, and environmental concerns. This week I thought I would share with you some self-care tips.

Avoid Tanning Salons - Any tan caused by ultraviolet light damages the skin and greatly increase your risk of developing skin cancer later in life.

Rehydrate Your Skin - Simple moisturizers (free of perfumes, colors, thickeners, emulsifiers) form a thin film of oil that holds moisture to your skin. This can be a great help during cold, dry winter months. Shower in warm (tepid) water and use a mild soap to avoid washing away natural oils that help trap water.

Keep Lead Out Of Your Water - Many older homes were built with pipes made out of lead. To help reduce lead in water from old pipes do the following. Let tap water run for a few minutes in the morning to flush out lead deposits. Don't drink or prepare foods made with hot tap water.

Prevent Colds - The most effective way to avoid catching a cold is by hand washing. Try not to share objects such as telephones, cups or pencils with a cold sufferer. Avoid putting your fingers to your nose or eyes after contact with a cold sufferer.

Give Your Teeth Five Minutes Per Day - Brush carefully at least twice a day and use dental floss. Regularity and thoroughness are the keys to removing plaque.

Watch Your Back - Backaches can result from a variety of causes: excess body weight, poor posture, standing or sitting in one position for long periods, sleeping on your stomach for long periods, lifting and carrying heavy objects or wearing high heels. When a backache appears, rest and prescriptive exercises can help. Until the ache is gone, sit ups should be discontinued. Once the pain is gone, sit ups (done properly) should be started to strengthen abdominal muscles.

Men's softball playoff preview the latest line

| TEAM | ODDS | COMMENT |
|---------------------|-------|--|
| Men Among Boys | even | Power, pitching, and poise - Almost unbeatable |
| Sigma Pi | 2-1 | Defending champs need the wind blowing in |
| Off The Wall | 4-1 | Need solid defense and well-placed hits |
| Flogging Your Mom | 5-1 | Injuries cause downfall, but awesome pitching could lead them back |
| Balls Out | 7-1 | Huarte is not enough |
| Candy Coated Clowns | 10-1 | Demeers is hurt. Salazar inconsistent. Early exit probable |
| Gas House Gang | 15-1 | Not this year but look out next Fall |
| Sons of Garvey | 25-1 | May always be second fiddle to Gas House Gang |
| Sigma Chi | 100-1 | Hurricane force winds must blow south west |

Matches need to be played in table tennis, horseshoes

With one week left to play matches in the doubles table tennis league, there have been more contests left unplayed than completed. Teams are reminded that only the top four teams will qualify for the playoffs on April 24 and only those that have played at least two matches will be considered.

The top two teams appear to be **Serey Heng's** who defeated **Phi Kap A** 61-46 and **Dirk Lashnitz's** who is the only team with two victories. If no other teams turn in results by Sunday's deadline, Lashnitz's team could win in a walkover.

While more horseshoe matches have been played than table tennis matches, there are still many to be played. And the rules are the same; If you don't play two matches, you cannot advance to the April 24 playoff.

Two teams that will be in the playoffs are the undefeated **Spike** and **Mike and Furley's Hurlers** whose only loss was a tough two-gamer against the top team.

Last day to sign-up for water polo

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Bats N Balls finally win softball title

After six semesters of frustration, the **Bats N Balls** dream has finally become a reality, as they captured the co-rec softball championship 6-2 over last semester's champion, **Doggie Style**.

The team of 16 seniors played stellar defense and came through with timely hitting during thier quest for the cloth. There are no stars on this classy team and because of their team concept, they were able to go through the season undefeated.

To get into the finals, **Bats N Balls** beat the most surprising and improved team of the league **Delta Sigma Pi**, 8-2. Both of **Delta Sigs'** two runs came in the first inning and it wasn't until Ryan Stow's clutch single in the fourth that the champs began to roll. Stow, easily the league's most improved player, had two big hits that propelled his club.

In the other semifinal game, **Doggie Style** spanked **Go Deep** 5-1. Ryan Sweeney paced the **Doggies** with two home runs and Julie Thurman contributed with a good glove and timely hitting.

In the championship game, Mark Daquipa and Dan O'Dea, along with Matt Zoeller and Erin Pace led **Bats N Balls** to the championship. What enabled the champs to get by **Doggie Style** was defense as the runner-ups two runs were scattered over seven innings. Darryl Correa was the lone offensive star for the **Doggie Style**.

Congratulations to **Bats N Balls**, one of the proudest teams in recent intramural history and enjoyers of another case of Pepsi.

Co-rec softball all-stars

Men

Matt "Fuzzy" Zoeller (**Bats N Balls**)
Dave Engel (**Bats N Balls**)
Ryan Stow (**Bats N Balls**)
Mark Daquipa (**Bats N Balls**)
Sean Nugent (**Doggie Style**)
Joe Comins (**Doggie Style**)
Gavin Simpson (**Delta Sigma Pi**)
Bill Homan (**Delta Sigma Pi**)

Women

Jenny Martin (**Bats N Balls**)
Tracey Vandewegh (**Bats N Balls**)
Kim Brewer (**Doggie Style**)
Julie Thurman (**Doggie Style**)
Debbie Presson (**Doggie Style**)
Allison Warden (**Go Deep**)
Sandy Pietriwicz (**Go Deep**)
Kim Jones (**Delta Sigma Pi**)

Male M.V.P.: Matt Zoeller

Female M.V.P.: Jenny Martin

IM notes

1. **J.R. Rodriguez** and **Farren Last** captured IM tennis titles last week. You can read about all the tennis playoffs in next weeks VISTA.

2. The **Hansen's** and **Mauling Vikings** played last night for the men's floor hockey championship. Results were not available at press time, but can be found in next week's VISTA.

Still Kicken to face Delta Sigma Pi in championship rematch

In the first game of the co-rec soccer playoffs, **Walking Probable Cause** faced off against the **Delts**. Amy Santucci and Jim Ballard both scored easily for **Walking Probable Cause** before their team seemed to go to sleep. Fortunately for **Walking Probable Cause**, the hapless **Delts'** only real effective offense was a face-saving goal by Ben Mendoza late in the game to make the final score 3-1.

Still Kicken then embarrassed **We're Da Shirts** 3-0 to advance to the finals. Faith Malory's score early in the first half gave **Still Kicken** the lead for good, and Ben Miller put the final nail in **We're Da Shirts** coffin late in the second half. Once again, Jason Orlando will not win the coveted shirt, and once again Andy Isaksen was on the team that denied him.

In the final game of the day, **Walking Probable Cause** took the field again, this time to face **Delta Sigma Pi** to see who would advance to the finals. This game turned into a defensive struggle broken only late in the game by **Delta Sigma Pi's** Kevin McSweeney, whose goal gave **Delta Sigma Pi** the game. **Delta Sigma Pi** held on to win 1-0, but better develop some offense in a hurry if they hope to beat **Still Kicken** in Saturday's finals.

The championship game is set for this Saturday at 1 p.m. on the Valley Field. Come out and watch IM soccer at its best.

Still Perfect looks best on rain-shortened Saturday

In the only game played before the rain came down on Saturday, **Still Perfect** gave the **Untouchables** a lesson in indoor soccer.

True to their name, the **Untouchables** goalie was unable to lay a hand on the ball as **Still Perfect** scored 21 times. Cameron Peach and Ben Miller both scored seven goals while Jason Buseman hit the net four times. Dirk Lashnits also scored three times for **Still Perfect** while Denis Monty for some reason was not able to score at all.

For what it's worth, James Hszina scored three times for the **Untouchables** and Gregg Kelly also managed to score making the final score 21-4.

Fraternity standings a two-team race

| | | |
|-----------------|---|----|
| Phi Kappa Theta | - | 98 |
| Delta Tau Delta | - | 67 |
| Sigma Pi | - | 26 |
| Sigma Chi | - | 8 |



In case you missed it, Disorder on the Court upset 4XXL's 14-16,15-10,15-9 to win the men's volleyball championship.

IM rankings - as of April 11

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| CO-REC SOCCER | | 5X5 (A) BASKETBALL | |
| 1. | Still Kicken | 1. | Nice Huh |
| 2. | Delta Sigma Pi | 2. | Can Anyone Beat Us |
| 3. | We're Da Shirt | 3. | Phi Kap A |
| 4. | Walking Probable Cause | 4. | Barrio Bashers |
| 5. | 976-SCORE | 5. | Sigma Pi |
| CO-REC SOFTBALL | | 5X5 (B) BASKETBALL | |
| 1. | Bats N Balls | 1. | Get it Up, Put It In |
| 2. | Doggie Style | 2. | Cadence of Silk |
| 3. | Go Deep | 3. | The Black and Blue |
| 4. | Delta Sigma Pi | 4. | Forty In Hand |
| 5. | Who Came First | 5. | Delta Tau Delta |
| MEN'S FLOOR HOCKEY | | 5X5 (F/S) BASKETBALL | |
| 1. | Mauling Vikings | 1. | Arts and Sciences |
| 2. | Hansen's | 2. | Sports Center |
| 3. | Yahweh | 3. | Taking it to the Hoop |
| 4. | Little Men With Big Sticks | 4. | P/P Ballers |
| 5. | Not My Laundry | 5. | Bookstore |
| MEN'S SOFTBALL | | CO-REC FOOTBALL | |
| 1. | Sigma Pi A | 1. | No Ka Oi |
| 2. | Men Among Boys | 2. | Dazed and Confused |
| 3. | Off the Wall | 3. | Notre D.A.M.E.S. |
| 4. | Flogging Your Mom | 4. | Fancher's Team |
| 5. | Candy Coated Clowns | 5. | Delta Sigma Pi |
| MEN'S (A) TENNIS | | CO-REC (A) VOLLEYBALL | |
| 1. | Brian Jacobsen | 1. | Can't Side Out |
| 2. | Bryan Davis | 2. | Where's Chad? |
| 3. | Paul Sumagaysay | 3. | Foreplay |
| 4. | Francois Carriere | 4. | Myagi-Do |
| 5. | Laurent Lesaigle | 5. | Hell No |
| MEN'S (B) TENNIS | | CO-REC (B) VOLLEYBALL | |
| 1. | J.R. Rodriguez | 1. | Return of Boo Bombers |
| 2. | Bonick Koo | 2. | No Ka Oi |
| 3. | Christopher Syran | 3. | Dig This! |
| 4. | Carleton Britt | 4. | Free Agents |
| 5. | Neil Lugo | | |
| WOMEN'S TENNIS | | MEN'S INDOOR SOCCER | |
| 1. | Farren Last | 1. | Sunshine and Friends |
| 2. | Kelly Kreisle | 2. | Still Perfect |
| 3. | Emily Faust | 3. | Can Anyone Beat Us |
| 4. | Julie Watters | 4. | Sigma Chi |
| 5. | Michele Fallon | 5. | Phi Kappa Theta |

Golf tournament set for April 29

Break out the clubs, find a partner and join the IM department for the last event of the school year. Our 2x2 scramble style tournament is a fun event for both serious and not so serious golfers. This semester's event will be held at Tecolote Canyon on Friday, April 29. Tee times begin at 1:30 and continue until 3 p.m. The cost is only

\$9.00 per player.

Teams of two players (men's, women's or mixed) Tee it up and play from the best lie on each drive. Come on out and join the fun. Skill and accuracy are okay, but not necessary. Spend a fun afternoon with us to celebrate the end of the school year.

Amazons play like midgets on the court

The first A-league co-rec volleyball match was between **Can't Side Out** and **Amazons and Midgets**. **Amazon's** and **Midgets** seemed to have left their heads at the senior wine and cheese function because their heads were definitely not at the match. **Can't Side Out** capitalized on all of the errors made by **Amazon's** and **Midgets** and won 15-7, 15-7.

The next match was between **Hell No!** and **Where's Chad?**. This was no contest. Brooks Barnhard destroyed **Hell No!** at the net with 10 kills and a few blocks. **Hell No!** had no chance in this match as **Where's Chad?** won 15-2, 15-7.

The last A-league match was between **Foreplay** and **Magi-Do**. **Magi-Do** was not in their element for this match. **Foreplay**, who played with only one woman, played a consistent and brilliant match. **Magi-Do** killed themselves and lost 15-11, 11-15, 15-10.

In B-league action, the **Free Agents** played **No Ka Oi**. The **Free Agents** started out well, but lost momentum at the end of the match. **No Ka Oi** served their way to victory, with 15 aces combined in the match. That was too much for the **Free Agents** to battle back from. **No Ka Oi** won 17-15, 15-8.

The last match of the week was between the **Boo Bombers** and **Dig This!**. This was a hard and long battle. **Dig This!** had everyone collecting stats, but not always at the right time. **Boo Bombers** were led by the courageous play of Luis Doffo who put this whole body on the line for this game. **Boo Bombers** started off slow, but then took over the match. **Boo Bombers** won 9-15, 15-11, 15-8.

Subway IM game of the week

Date: Saturday, April 16
Time: 2 p.m.
Sport: Co-rec football
Match-up: notre D.A.M.E.S. vs. No Ka Oi

The co-rec football season has gotten off to a slow start, to say the least. However, action is expected to heat up this week when two of the top three teams square off in a possible championship preview. **No Ka Oi** and **Notre D.A.M.E.S.** will be playing the first "key" game of the season and the winner will be rewarded with the "Subway" from the Subway on Morena Boulevard.

Last week saw two impressive teams get ready for the upcoming softball playoffs. **Sigma Pi** showed why they are defending champs as they annihilated **Flogging Your Mom** 14-6. **Off the Wall** had their hitting shoes on as they scored 33 runs in two victories including a 13-2 defeat of **Gas House Gang**.

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hard-hitting starters Aaron Ward, Chris Ordway, Eric Torikian and Brody Hoffman. Also, these hard hits tend to draw many penalties from referees who set a fine limit on a clean, legal hit. USD lacrosse is the league leader in penalty minutes, with 98.5 minutes.

The goalie for USD, Jeff Collins, is a key player for the team because he is usually battered and bruised from the opponent's shots. Collins has a total of 127 saves on goal and is playing with an excellent 59 percent on saves. He was the MVP player in both the UC Irvine and Sacramento State games for all his clutch saves.

Currently, USD lacrosse is in a playoff slot since crushing previously undefeated Sacramento State last Sunday, 16-6. "This game was a crucial turning point of the season," commented Coach Smith.

"We've really come together as a team and are playing extremely well," said junior defenseman Aaron Ward on the team's recent success. "We have only lost one player this past year due to graduation, so this is a team that has been together for a while. I think we have great potential and feel that our success will continue."

This weekend, USD lacrosse will be on a road trip to Arizona to face Northern Arizona University and Arizona State University. These games are important in preparing for the playoffs at UC Santa Barbara in late April.

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With a few weeks remaining until the first ever W.I.S.L. tournament in Moraga, the Toreros will be looking to fine-tune their

team. Today they travel to Southern California College, which is ranked 7th. On Saturday the Toreros are home against Stanford. Both games are double-headers.

Senior Melissa Reinard continues to lead the team in most offensive categories, including a career-high batting average of .425. Marino is 15-7 with a 1.89 earned run average.

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the first new boat the men have had in seven years.

Father Barry Vinyard was on hand to lead the prayer in remembering Bea, who was a longtime supporter of the crew program. Before christening the boat with water from Mission Bay, Fr. Barry asked "for strong wind at the back, always."

Toreros continue their downward slide

Matt Simons
Staff Writer

The USD baseball team was swept three games by Santa Clara to finish off a rough week. The Toreros dropped to 17-18-1 overall and 6-9 in the West Coast Conference.

USD lost to first-place Santa Clara by scores of 11-8, 3-1 and 5-3 at Cunningham stadium on April 8 and 9. Earlier in the week, the Toreros lost to UCLA, 6-0.

After upsetting nationally ranked UCLA earlier in the season, USD went to Jackie Robinson stadium to take on the mighty Bru-

ins. UCLA managed to hold the Toreros to five hits and handed USD its first shutout of the season. After 32 consecutive games with at least two runs, the Toreros began to show fatigue. Matt La Belle, a junior, picked up his second loss of the season.

The Toreros were looking to move up in WCC standings with a strong series against Santa Clara.

On Friday afternoon, USD came out firing. It was apparent that the Toreros were ready to play. Coach Cunningham decided to try to start the series off with a big by starting ace Mike Saipé against the Broncos.

Saipé (6-1) made a strong showing in the first five innings before Santa Clara's bats exploded in the sixth inning and the Broncos

picked up four runs. Santa Clara took the lead in the eighth, 8-7. The Broncos picked up four runs and were showing why they were in first place. After eight innings the score was Santa Clara 8 USD 7.

The Toreros charged back in the ninth to tie the score and send it into extra innings. Once again the Toreros were unable to pick up the close win, as the Broncos scored three runs in the 11th inning.

USD batters collected 18 hits. Outfielder Brady Clark, returning from a leg injury, had three hits. Catcher Jacob Slania, a junior, went 3-for-5 and had two RBI as junior Eric Morton added three hits.

On Saturday, Travis Burgus, USD's no.2 starter, allowed just three runs over nine

innings, striking out eight batters. But the USD offense didn't perform well in this matchup, picking up one run. Josh Stepner went 2-for-4 with a RBI.


USD headed into the second game of the double header, trying to salvage at least one win. Junior starter Mike Freehill took the mound looking for his fourth win of the season. Freehill lasted 7 2/3 innings, giving up six hits and three runs. The Toreros had eight hits from eight different batters.

USD faced Chapman College on Tuesday and Point Loma Nazarene on Wednesday. Tomorrow and Saturday, the Toreros host Loyola Marymount in a three-game WCC series. Friday's game starts at 2:30 p.m. with Saturday's doubleheader beginning at 11 a.m.

Sports Quote of the week

"All right... Chris."

-- Jim Rome addressing Jim Everett in a TV interview, moments before Everett lost it.




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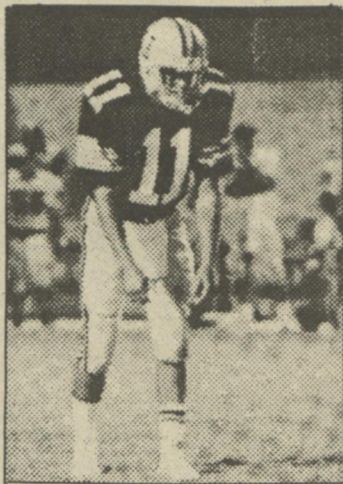
Millions of children throughout the world dream of playing in the National Football League, but only one out of every 1,600 high school football players will ever play in the NFL. The University of San Diego is fortunate to have one of these potential pro players.

Robert Ray is one of the top punters in the United States. In his three years at USD, he has received many different accolades. Two years ago, as a sophomore, Ray averaged 42.3 yards per punt, and was named as a Kodak All-American, GTE Scholar Athlete and USD's Special Teams Player of the Year. He led NCAA Division II and III in punting average.

As a junior, Ray was named first team all-Pioneer League, and again was one of the leading punters in the nation.

"Ray definitely has the athletic ability to make the pros, the only question that still remains is how hard he works as a senior," said Minnesota Vikings special teams coach, Gary Zoner.

On March 3, Ray had a workout



Robert Ray is one of the top collegiate punters in the nation

at USD with a scout for the NFL. The scout told Ray that he is being considered as a pro prospect.

"The tryout was an exciting experience for me but I realize how difficult it is to become a professional athlete," Ray said. "Whether or not I get invited to the pro-combine all depends on how one scout felt about my performance, and how well I perform as a senior."

"Ray has the ability and intellect to play football at the next level," commented USD football coach Bill Settles.

Being very modest Ray tries to play off the idea of performing in the NFL as a joke.

"I am not counting on playing pro football, that is why I have tried so hard to maintain a good grade point average. I have been told I have a shot at the pros, but I will not believe it until I am there."

Ray, who is planning on going into personal financing, currently maintains a 3.30 GPA. He is a nominee for treasurer of the Sigma Pi fraternity, and takes an active roll in the University Canyon Kids Project.

The dream of playing in front of millions of spectators on a Monday night is not one that many people will ever be able to experience. But Robert Ray has the opportunity to live the dream millions of boys—to play in the NFL. So, next fall keep your eyes and ears open on NFL draft day for Commissioner Paul Tagliabue to call out the words "With the fifth pick, the San Francisco 49ers take Robert Ray, University of San Diego."

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Men's Golf

The Toreros close out their season next week at the Point Loma Invitational, a 36-hole tournament on April 18 at Rancho San Diego Country Club. This week, USD participated in the WCC Championships at Fort Ord-Bayonet Golf Course. The team was in fifth place after the first round, 18 strokes behind leader Pepperdine. USD's low scorers were senior Larry Petryk (76), sophomore Jerramy Hainline (81), junior Jason Steuernagel (82), senior Steve Brown (82) and junior Matt Freeman (83).

Men's Tennis

Last week, the Toreros finished second to Pepperdine in the WCC Championships. Senior Fredrik Axsater and sophomore Emmanuel Udozorh each advanced to the quarterfinals before losing to players from Pepperdine. USD also had three doubles teams reach the quarterfinals before getting knocked out of the tourney. Statistical leaders for the Toreros are freshman Bobby Hrdina who is 30-19 overall; Axsater who has compiled a 15-13 record at No. 1 singles; and junior J.J. Shobar, who is 26-19 overall. The Toreros close out the season at home with matches against UC Irvine on April 14 and San Diego State on April 19. Both matches begin at 1:30 p.m. on USD's west courts.

Rugby

Southern California Griffin trials were held this past Saturday in Long Beach, Ca. The Griffins is an all-star team that is selected by a group of coaches after evaluating them during trials. From USD, Mike Murphy, Scott Lee, Mike Henry, Lucas Haan and Martin Small were selected to represent the team in the North-South game on April 30, in San Fran-

cisco. From that game, the Pacific Coast Grizzlies will be selected. Being selected a Griffin is just the first step in rugby towards becoming an All-American. This was Murphy's third time being selected for the Griffins, while Lee, Henry, Haan and Small enjoy this experience for the first time. The rugby team will be holding its annual alumni game on Saturday, April 23. Other tentative rugby events to keep on your schedule include the annual end of the year Rugby Bash and the awards banquet.

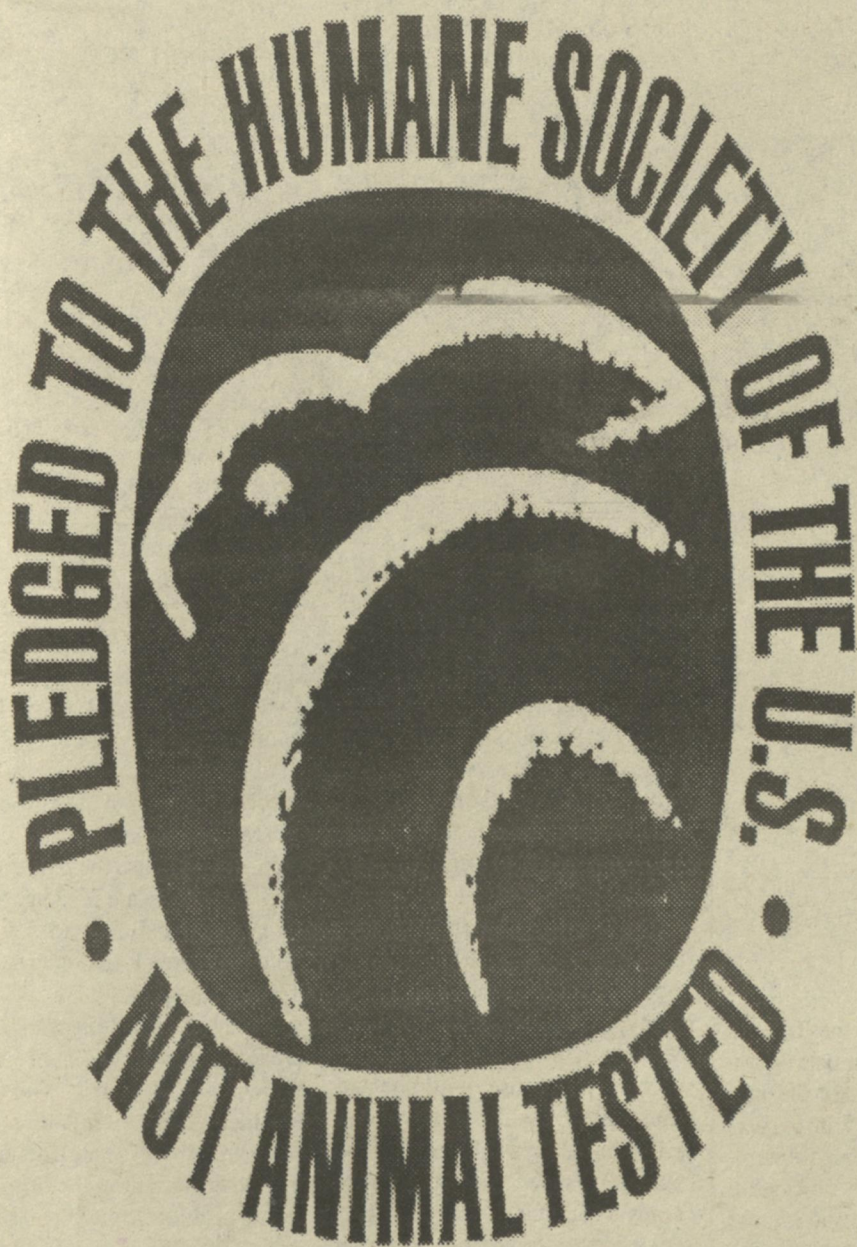
Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team is hosting the San Diego Spring Soccer Challenge this Saturday, April 16, at both Valley Field and in Toreros Stadium. USD, in a rematch of last year's NCAA Regional semifinal, will meet Cal State-Fullerton at 10 a.m. on the Valley Field. The team also plays the 10-time indoor World Champion San Diego Sockers at 7 p.m., in Torero Stadium.

Women's tennis

The 23rd-ranked Toreros play their final regular-season match on April 16th at No. 11 Arizona State University. Last week, USD placed second to Pepperdine at the West Coast Conference Championships. Julie McKeon, a senior, won the flight A singles title and freshman Yvonne Doyle won the singles crown in flight B. The team also won the doubles title in flight A, where McKeon teamed with senior Laura Richards. Doyle and freshman Julie Baird won the flight C crown.

McKeon and Doyle each went undefeated in the tournament finishing with overall records of 7-0. McKeon improved her season record to 20-7 in singles and 38-13 overall. She also has a 12-match singles winning streak. Other leaders for the Toreros are sophomore Kristine Smith, who is 23-10 in singles matches; Richards, who is 17-10 in singles and 35-15 overall; and Doyle, with a 20-4 singles record, 35-9 overall.



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Row, row, row your boat

Deborah Acomb
News Co-Editor

The only gloomy event at the 21st annual San Diego Crew Classic this past weekend was the weather.

For the USD men and women crews, the competition proved challenging, but the Toreros pulled through to the end.

The Crew Classic, held in Mission Beach off Crown Point Shores, hosted over 2,000 rowers, with 80 schools and three countries represented.

USD men's varsity eight did well in the preliminaries of the California Cup, which featured California schools only. The Toreros finished second to UC Irvine in 6:20.19.

USD could have fared better in the race, according to coxswain Michelle Petkevich. During the race, UCSD cut into USD's lane, which "definitely affected the race," she said.

Petkevich chose not to contest the violation with officials because the team qualified for the semifinals.

USD finished third in the Cup final behind SDSU and UC-Irvine



Yvette Anaya/Staff photo

The women's crew team performed well in the Crew Classic.

to qualify for the Cal-Visitor's Cup, an open race ranking second only to the Copley Cup in terms of prestige at the Classic.

USD's varsity eight finished sixth in that race in 6:33.42.

The women's varsity team also rowed well, finishing second behind Long Beach State in the Cal Cup race, in a time of 7:12.39, behind Long Beach State. With their

impressive placing, the women qualified for the Cal-Vis Cup race, in which they placed fifth. Western Washington won the title.

"We haven't seen any of these schools," said Leanne Crain, the women's coach, sizing up the competition before the race. "We do expect Long Beach to be fast. If we're out of the gate fast we should stand a chance in the race."

Cristina McKay, the women's varsity coxswain, said the team was nervous going into the race, but "had a big indication of where we stood against the California teams."

"We felt good," McKay added. "We felt strong and wanted to place. That was our goal."

Tanya Snipes, another member of the women's crew agreed. "We were concentrating on our boat and

rowing together, getting together and pulling," she said.

McKay and Snipes both said that Long Beach State was the team they were aiming to beat. "We want Beach this year," Snipes said. The rivalry has always been neck and neck between the teams, McKay said.

The women's varsity team season is geared so that they peak in performance at the time of Pacific Coast Championships, held May 21-22 in Sacramento.

The men's novice boat was in fourth place at the halfway point of the 2,000-meter race, but their momentum slipped and they finished sixth in their heat. They qualified for the petite final where they rowed to a fifth-place finish in 7:17.35, ahead of Cal Poly.

The women's novice eight, who finished the heat in seventh place, were up against tough competition from UC Davis and Sacramento State.

In a side event, the men's and women's teams christened a new shell on Saturday, the Alvaro Bea,

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Andrea Marino tossed two shutouts this weekend

Toreros finish third

Rick Salazar
Staff Writer

The USD softball team collected three wins this past weekend during the UCSD Triton Softball Classic, which was held at UCSD and at USD. The Toreros placed third among the tourney's 10 Southern California softball teams. The

Toreros' lone loss was to Cal Lutheran University, 9-6.

The Toreros advanced to the semi-finals of the Triton Classic before they were knocked out of the single-elimination bracket on Sunday.

Andrea Marino picked up three wins with an impressive and gutsy pitching performance. Marino spun a three-hitter against Chapman College and threw two five-hit shutouts against Claremont and UCSD.

Jennifer Milo led the Toreros with a .615 tournament batting average. Trisha Smith batted .500 and Debbie Smith hit .455 in tournament play. Senior Aimee Reinard, a two-time team MVP, saw action for the first time since she injured her shoulder against Loyola Marymount three weeks ago. Against Cal Lutheran University she was 2-for-3 with two runs bat-

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Lacrosse hopes for playoffs

Matt Klawitter and
Brian Lynch
Staff Writers

USD men's lacrosse is a club sport that has talent, as shown by its 6-2 league record. Coach Todd Smith, one of the founding fathers of USD lacrosse said, "This is the best season in four years, and this club has worked hard to come a long way." USD lacrosse is also coached by Doug Murphy and the faculty adviser is Steve Nellis.

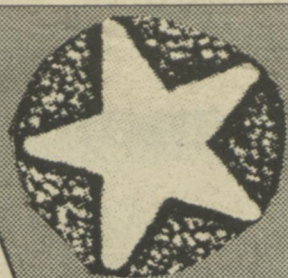
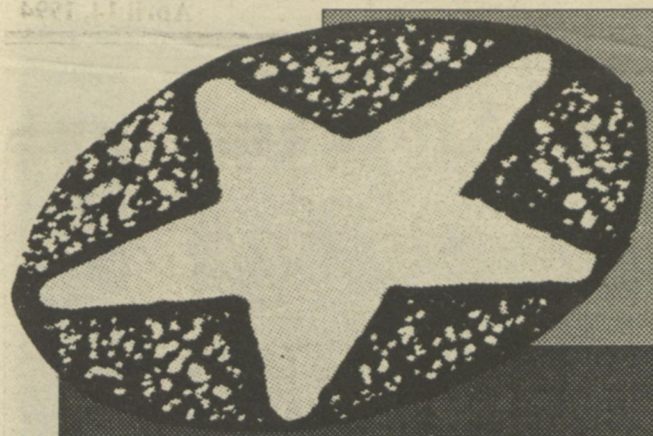
Lacrosse is a sport that is on the rise in the West Coast. It not as popular as it is in the East Coast; however, "the fastest game on two feet" has gained attention and respect for its intense, hard hits and quick-scoring goals which require skill in handling a stick and ball — especially when the other team comes whacking at you with their sticks and try to get a good hit on you. Lacrosse is a game originated by the Indians, who were thought to have played to near death since it was a more brutal sport with no rules. Like hockey, it has two goals

and several boundary lines to keep the ball moving at a fast pace, with the main objective being scoring goals to win. One of the main strategies in scoring is teamwork in passing the ball and finding an open shot on goal.

One of the main attractions of USD lacrosse is the fancy footwork demonstrated by offensive attack leaders (Mac Johnson, Joe Cardenas, Dominic Piazza). The attackers work with the mittie leaders (Matt Ruel, Andy Shutak, Jamie Maloney) who are the grunts of the team since they are responsible for bringing the ball up and down the field to the attack, and they assist in tossing it in goal.

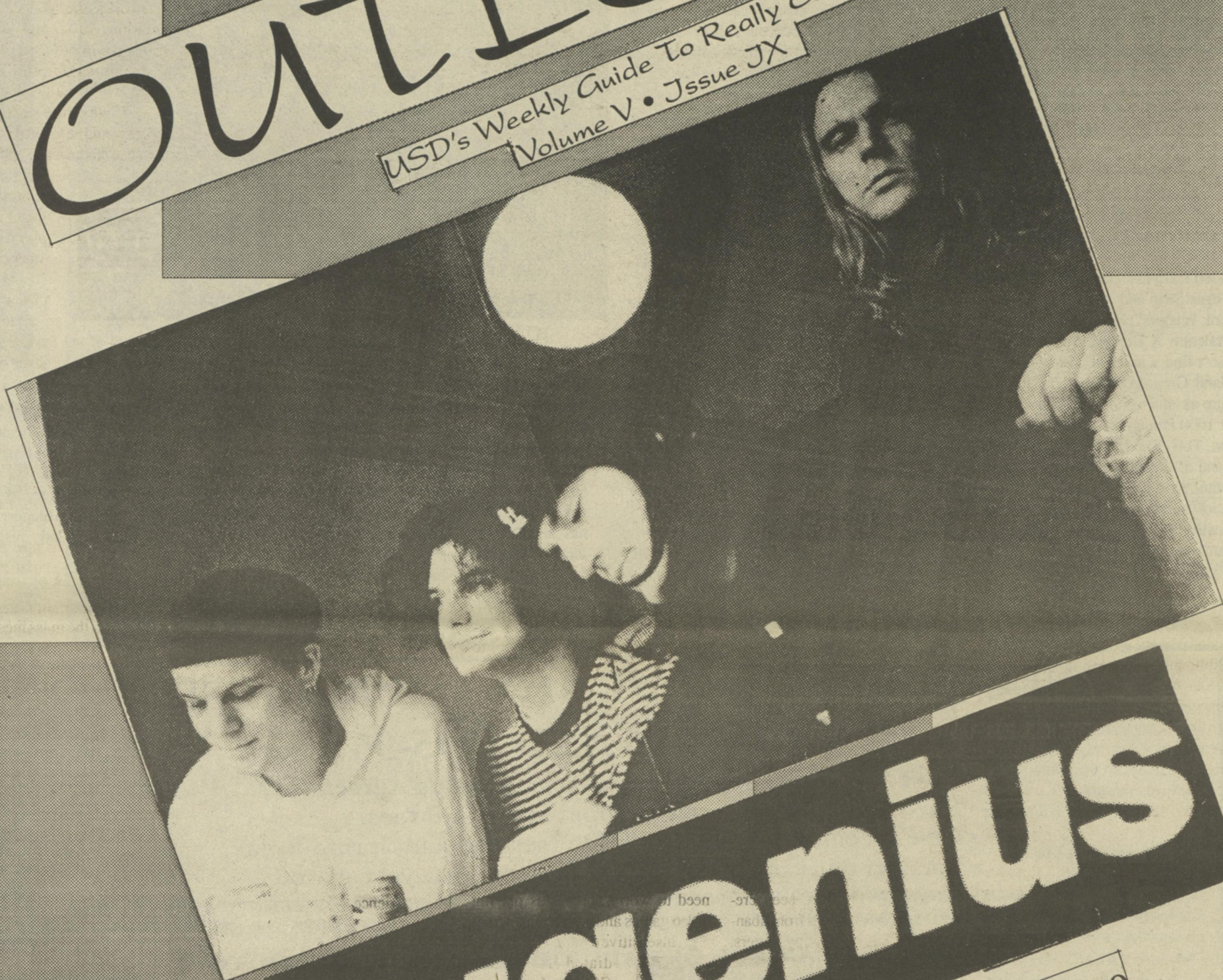
Another crowd pleaser that lacrosse offers is the hard checks known as "skulls." These are awarded to team members who show an aggressive hard hit and lay out the opponent on the field. The leader of skulls for USD lacrosse is Todd "Troll" Tobias, with 13 skulls. Tobias is a defenseman with other

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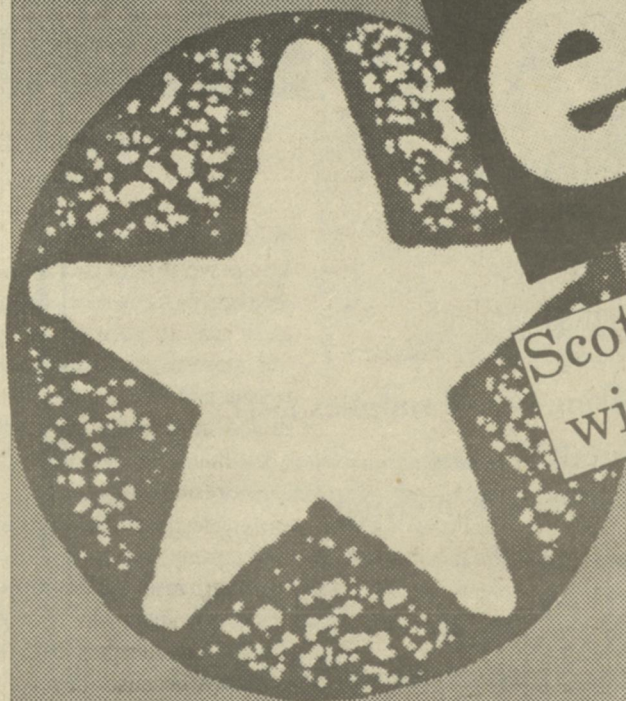
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A modern day Columbus in the new America

C. John Iglar
Special to the VISTA

I figure I must of been about five or six when someone first informed me that it was the great Christopher Columbus who discovered America. Now, at that stage of life, one is expected to simply accept such information as the truth and not question an authority like a grade school teacher.

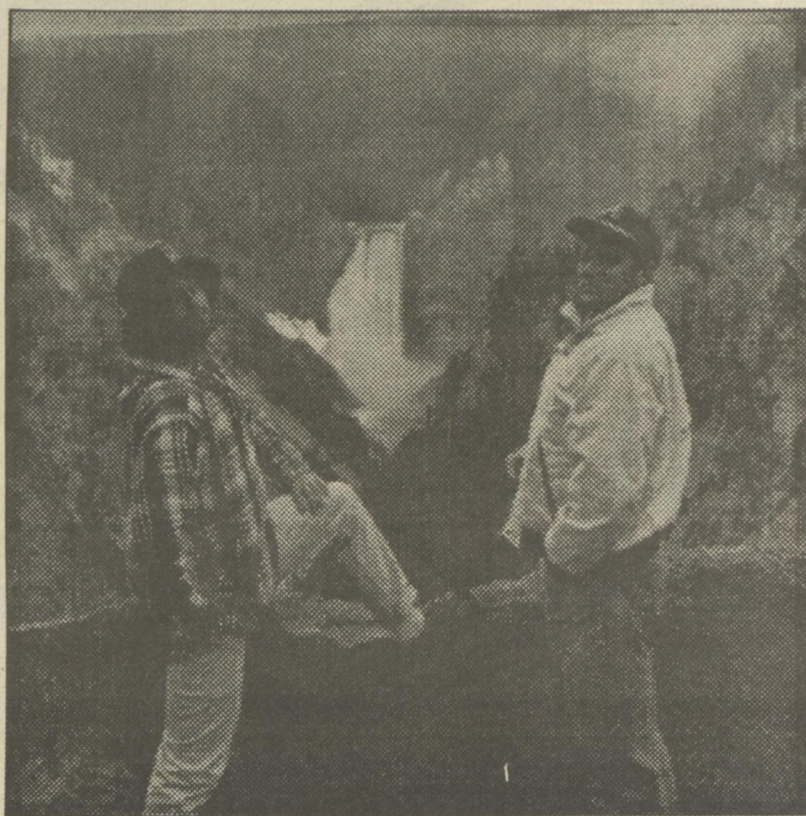
Anyway, as I got older and my mind started to require less and less control than it did previously, and I began to wonder how it was possible for someone to "discover" a place where people had already lived for at least 10,000 years. Well, I couldn't come up with any decent answer, but I did figure that hell, I could do it, too. So, that's exactly what me and my friends did last summer when we jumped into the ole Santa Maria (or was it the Pinta?) and headed east in the search of America. And you can bet we found it, too...

It isn't in a smoky casino bar between the video keno and poker machines on the Las Vegas Strip and it ain't among the various junk vendors' piles of old Whodini tapes on Malcolm X Boulevard in Harlem and you can't find it at the bottom of a Hurricane or Hand Grenade on Bourbon Street and you sure-as-shit won't find it behind the iron gate at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, D.C. The heart and soul of this lovely Land of Freedom lies at about 44.5 degrees latitude and 109.5 degrees longitude. Its population is around 6790, and its elevation is a steady 5002 feet above sea level. Its very name sounds red, white, and blue... Cody, Wyoming.

We don't smoke marijuana in ole Cody,
We don't take our trips on LSD,
We don't burn our draft cards down on
Main Street,
We like livin' right and bein' free.

The first thing one might notice when pullin' into Cody is that Main Street is called that for a reason. Basically, this two-mile stretch of road is a slow down of Highway 14, a leisurely two-lane snake of concrete which connects Yellow-Stone in the West and the Bighorn Mountains in the East. On each end of town there's a Chamber of Commerce sign to greet you or say good-bye with some kind of inanimately personal power, and in between there are just enough stoplights to count on one hand. Lining both sides of Main Street are a variety of stores named after real people who either run the establishment now or have passed it down to their kids... Bob's hardware, Tim's Plumbing, etc. In addition, I do declare that there are more beautiful Ford flatbed pickup trucks on one corner of Cody, Wyoming, than there are on all of Marian way, for you ain't gonna find too many foreign makes in these parts. Here, a Beamer is the slug of Jim you take after (or sometimes before) a tough day at work, and as for the Japanese's machines, you sure as hell better not drive something you can't pronounce.

We don't make a party outta lovin',
We like holdin' hands and pitchin' woo,
We don't let our hair grow long and shaggy,
Like the hippies out in San Francisco do.



C. John Iglar and friend at Yellowstone

I suppose when pullin' into someplace new, the nightlife there is of interest to many people. Well in Cody, this definately no concern. After grabbing a hearty beef dinner (don't expect to find any Soup Plantations or sushi joints), most folks like to head down to one of the many fine waterin' holes the town has to offer. Here, the drinking establishments are known as either taverns or saloons; a club, in Cody, is what the barkeep uses in

case any of the customers get a bit unruly. There ain't any covers in these places not are there any clowns with names like "Duke" or "King" or "Lord" perched near the front door checking IDs. In addition, once you make your way to the counter, don't try to order anything which involves fruit, a blender or an imported produce. Nights in Cody are about

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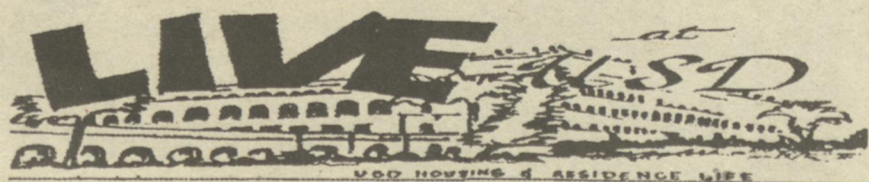
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Cry Of Love
The Belly Up Tavern
Friday, April 15
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Todd Moran
Staff Writer

Growing up in the Midwest, the first music I was exposed to was rock and roll. After moving to the West Coast, my taste in music became diversified. But, listening to the grass roots rock of

Cry of Love takes me back to my musical roots.

Cry of Love named themselves after the famous Jimi Hendrix song, and are comprised of members Kelly Holland (vocals), Robert Kearns (Bass), Audley Freed (guitar) and Jason Patterson (drums). All four members are from small rural towns in North Carolina and formed in 1991.

Cry of Love is currently on a club tour, fresh off of a series of dates with the Boston rock relics, Aerosmith. At the end of April they will start a month-long spring tour opening for ZZ Top.

Brother is Cry of Love's debut album on the Columbia record label. The album is pure rock and roll, sporting a steady sound which was heavily

influenced by Hendrix, Bad Company and the Allman Brothers.

There are three singles from the album that are currently winding their way up the charts — "Too Cold in the Winter," "Peace Pipe" and "Bad Thing." "Too Cold in the Winter," is a slowly building song — similar to a train that gradually picks up speed leaving the station. "Peace Pipe" is about Native American rights (singer Holland is part Cherokee). "Bad Thing" is a straightforward rocker with little frills.

If you're a fan of pure, honest Blues-based rock, Cry of Love is definitely worth checking out.



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compiled by Chris Woo

THURSDAY, April 14

Pink Floyd: Jack Murphy Stadium, 8 p.m., SOLD OUT.

Geraline Fibers w/Downs Family: Geraline Fibers features Karla of Ethyl Meatplow. Casbah, 8:30 p.m., \$6, call 278-TIXS or 232-4355.

San Jose Taiko: Originating in Japan as a fusion of musician-ship, religion and martial arts, Taiko drumming was traditionally used to ward off evil spirits, summon rain and in thanksgiving for bountiful harvests. A blend of Japanese, African, Balinese, Brazilian, Latin and jazz percussion creating new and innovative sounds. Mandeville Auditorium UCSD, 8 p.m., \$16/\$14 Sr.Citizen/\$12 student, call 534-6467.

FRIDAY, April 15

Sprung Monkey w/Only Living Witness: Checkers, 8 p.m., \$10/\$8 advance, call 278-TIXS.

Cathryn Calling: DisCafe, 8 p.m., call 456-1951.

"Move Over, Mrs. Markham": La Jolla Stage Company continues its 14th season with

this British romantic comedy by Ray Cooney and John Chapman. Parker Community Auditorium, 8 p.m., \$10/\$7.50, call 459-7773.

SATURDAY, April 16

Gay Night at Sea World: Sea World, 6:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., \$27.95, call 280-4352.

Peter Dennis: "Bother," whimsical readings from A.A. Milne's *Winnie the Pooh*. An actor of enormous range and extensive stage and screen credits, delivers superbly crafted tales and poems. Mandeville Auditorium UCSD, 8 p.m., \$12/\$10 Sr. Citizens/\$8 student, call 534-6467.

SUNDAY, April 17

Eugenius w/Creedle and Swivelneck: Eugene Kelly, formerly of the (Nirvana faves) Vaselines, and bandmates pumps out a new album for the "alternative" radio charts. Casbah, 8:30 p.m., \$7, call 278-TIXS or 232-4355.

Viklarbo Chamber Ensemble: The Viklarbo Chamber Ensemble, Ensemble-in-Residence at the University of Southern California, will perform. The Evening's program of 20th century classics will include Suite for Violin, Clarinet, and Piano of Darius Milhaud, Trio No. 3 in C major for Violin, Cello, and Piano by Bohuslav Martinu. The Athenaeum, 7:30 p.m., call 454-5872.

TUESDAY, April 19

Dante w/ Paul Gilmartin and J.D. Frazier: Local comedian Dante has found a great deal of success on the club circuit. He was recently featured on "America's Funniest People" and a commercial for Miller Beer. Comedy Nite, through April 23, Oceanside, call 757-2177.



DANTE

Photo: COMEDY NITE

Serve The Servants

One baby to another said I'm lucky to have met you ...

The news bled across my eyes — an extremely numbing effect similar to that of neurosis or schizophrenia wavering in a glass of water in my mind. It didn't devastate me or even make me sad, it was just weird, hard to understand. His death — an artist i didn't even know, probably would have never met — took his life and left a generation he helped create to survive on their own.

In an instant, every song Kurt Cobain ever wrote made even more sense to me when i learned he had transcended this plane of existence — that he left the Concrete to join the other legends which thrive in the hearts and minds of young poets and musicians.

It was only a rumor, at first. i heard whispers in the UC about heroin addiction and stomach pain and him blowing his head away. i was incredulous, very skeptical to believe at first. But, when i saw CNN and aged newscasters who obviously had no idea who he was reduce him to a 30-second blurb on the evening news, the whole sickening dream became a reality.

my initial observation was that no one seemed to care. Every time someone mentioned the incident, a smirk followed, then a comment about how he was so into drugs that it was bound to happen. No comments about the music, the importance of his words, his ideas, of him instigating the very revolution MTV could never start. Kurt Cobain had been reduced to a passing phrase on the lips of nonentities.

The "hip" media — MTV, Rolling Stone, Spin — will make him a martyr. The mainstream will remember him briefly, then go on the next "celebrity's" death. But, a nation of outcasts, of anomalies, will mourn

and wonder why. The Generation *Ex Nihilo* that Cobain brought to power must now look within themselves and figure out what Life, what everything, means.

His death isn't the cause of this hopelessness, but it has brought it to light in a most sickening, god-awful way.

Here we are now, entertain us ...

Cobain stands on a stage shouting at the very angels he has joined. He lights another cigarette and picks up his guitar and starts strumming. The audience in the Mortuary yawns and shouts, "We've heard it all before. Why don't you do something original?"

Cobain stops, flips off the cherubim and seraphim off and exits, stage right. Christ is waiting for him, looking at him sadly. Cobain takes a drag from his cigarette and rubs the stubble on his chin with a smirk. His dirty blonde hair falls hopelessly in his face.

"You know, you never really knew Me," the Messiah whispers.

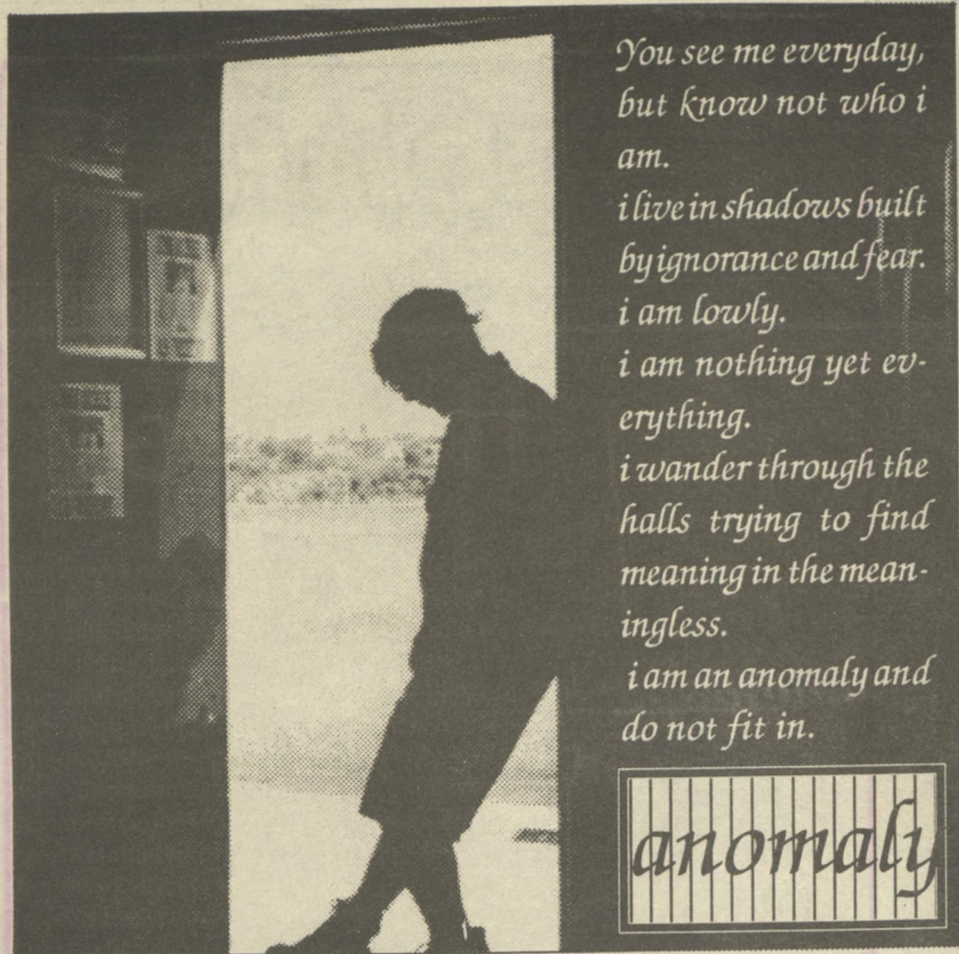
"No, you never really knew me — you never cared," Cobain responds. "This," Cobain points to his guitar, "is the only God and Satan I ever knew. And it has finally destroyed me. Leave me alone."

Cobain turns and walks away.

Grandma, take me home ...

i was always really sickened by the fact no one got the irony behind "Teen Spirit." It was played at pep rallies, after-school parties, proms and homecoming dances. Didn't people understand that the song was the very rejection of what every social clique in high school was? It wasn't a rally cry for a generation, it was a rejection.

i remember seeing a crowd of people i went school with — it was a formal dance. Everyone was dancing to "Baby Got Back," then the DJ played "Teen Spirit." The dance floor cleared, but those who stayed moved awkwardly to the music, trying to figure out how



You see me everyday,
but know not who i
am.

i live in shadows built
by ignorance and fear.

i am lowly.

i am nothing yet ev-
erything.

i wander through the
halls trying to find
meaning in the mean-
ingless.

i am an anomaly and
do not fit in.

anomaly

Jeff Sauter/VISTA

to dance to Nirvana. That image of that uncomfortability, of that uncertainty, always enters my mind when i think about *Nevermind*.

Another image comes to mind when i think of "Teen Spirit." i was at a Pearl Jam show and before the concert, "Teen Spirit" was played over the speakers. As soon as the song began, the 20,000 people there started moving, moshing, stepping on each other in the most barbaric way imaginable. i realized no one really cared about the music or the words, they just cared about bragging to their friends about being "in the Pit." "Nirvana's cool, huh, huh." All anyone cared about was their Gap flannels and Doc Martens, and jackets and jeans and T-shirts designed and patented

Note: Kurt Cobain wore flannels because it's cold in Seattle.

Cobain knew no one got it, that no one really cared about Nirvana. All any one cared about was themselves. The record industry didn't give a fuck about Kurt Cobain or Krst Noveselic or Dave Grohl. All they cared about was how many unit-products the next Nirvana album would sell. Cobain's friends and his family are the only ones who could ever truly care about Cobain.

All we are, all of us who listened to *Bleach*, *Nevermind* and *In Utero*, all of us who went to the shows to actually listen to the music, everyone who in some way made any connection with the music, all we can truly do is feel bad. It isn't our place to mourn, we never knew Kurt Cobain, the man.

But, we knew Kurt Cobain, the artist. And he will be missed.

with the label "Grunge." They cared about being cool, being hip, being part of the "Alternative Nation."

'Above' falls below expectations

Mari Jonassen
Staff Writer

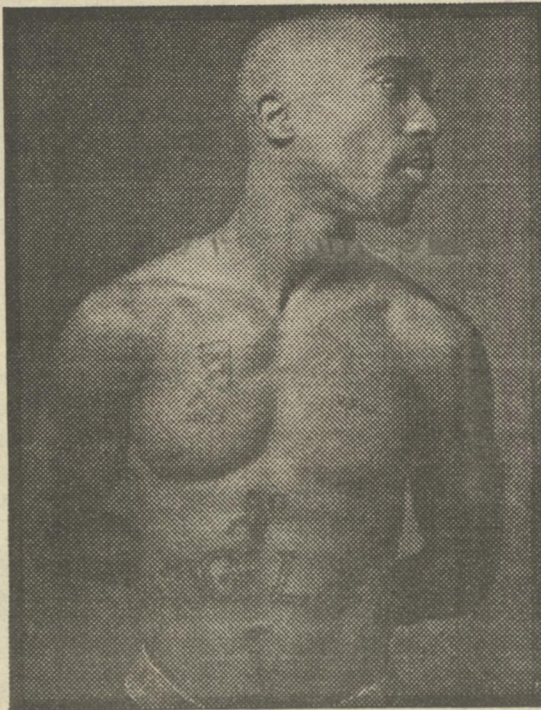
Director Jeff Pollack's latest film, "Above The Rim," stars Duane Martin, Leon, Tupac Shakur and Marlon Wayans. Despite some entertaining basketball footage the urban fable becomes a bit too predictable and cannot escape a Hollywood ending.

"Above The Rim" is set in Harlem where Kyle (Duane Martin), an impressionable high school basketball star is torn between the influences of two estranged brothers. The movie has your basic good-versus-evil plot formula, trying to instill the moral that money, cars, women and nice clothes are not worth having if you do not come by these with honest work.

Birdie (Tupac Shakur), the younger brother, promotes the gangster lifestyle of fast money, women and a propensity for violence, while Shep (Leon), the older brother, promotes honesty and hard work. However, Shep does not appear to be Kyle's first choice for a mentor, since he let his basketball career fade after a freak basketball accident took the life of his best friend. Kyle's decision on which brother to trust is complicated further by the "exciting" lifestyle Birdie has to offer as opposed to the seemingly boring life of Shep, the high school security guard.

After the first scene, a dream sequence in which Shep relives the death of his best friend, I was not totally convinced of the realistic side of this movie. I guess I find it hard to believe that a person trying to see how high he could jump could gain enough momentum to break through a backboard and a chain link fence to plummet to his death from a roof top court. I'm sure stranger things have happened but this freak accident was hard to buy.

A positive point of the movie was the banter between the characters on and off the court. Tonya Pinkins was



Rap bad boy Tupac Shakur stars in the new basketball flick "Above The Rim."

great in her role as Kyle's mother — a widow doing her best to support her son while at the same time keeping his ego in line. Marlon Wayans adds to the laughter as Kyle's best friend, recently released from jail.

The most entertaining parts of this movie were the basketball scenes. They are fast-paced and make the audience feel as if they are players on the court. If basketball is your thing then this movie is a must see. Otherwise, if a not-so-predictable plot is just as important to you, then you might be better off renting "White Men Can't Jump."

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Kurt Cobain, the lead singer of Nirvana, committed suicide last Thursday. Authorities found the guitarist in his Seattle home with a self-inflicted gun shot wound to his head. Cobain, who had been battling a severe stomach ulcer and a prolonged addiction to heroin, was 27.

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whiskey and beer. I'd personally recommend a \$2.50 pitcher of the finest Pabst Blue Ribbon they got. Carry that back to the corner table reserved for foreigners (any non-local), take a load off your dogs and enjoy the twang of the old turn table.

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And the kids here still respect the college dean.

When you come to think about it, America is really about people, not places ... and this suits Cody just fine. For in this town, the men are men and the women are women, and there ain't any uncertainties about which is which. If you got long hair and wear jewelry (belt buckles excluded), then you're a lady, and if you sport a Setson and chew tobacco, you're a gentleman. There's no such thing as any political correctness crap here — unless you count the notion that "God, Guns and Guts made America what it is," so you better either "Love it or Leave it!" In Cody, patriotism is the language that is spoken, and you bet it's only heard in English. Flannels are worn because it's cold outside, and a pair of pants here comes in the right size. Fights, in Cody, are between men — not cow-

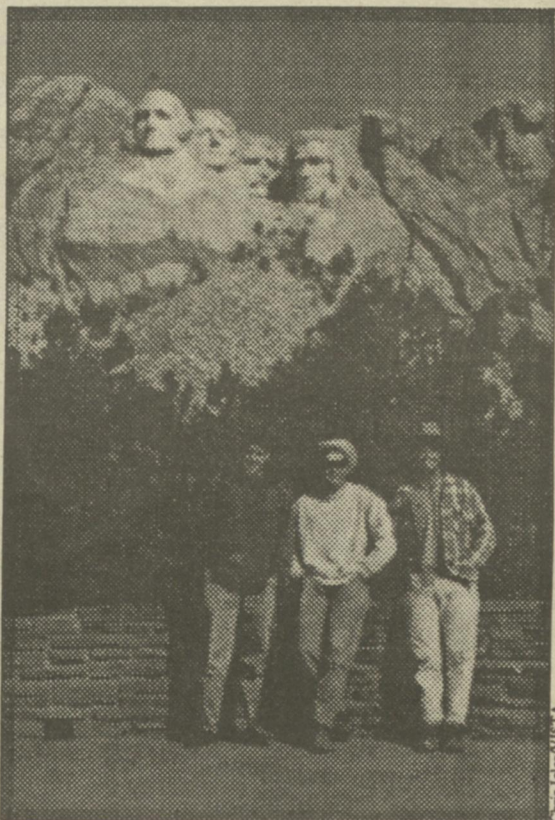
ardly groups represented by colors or letters or symbols — and they're over important issues, like anything that comes under the 10 commandments. Mostly, Cody is about being an American. So, if you ever have any question about who you are and where you stand and your up is down and your down is up, just make a run for Wyoming, 82414.

And I'm proud to be a roadie in ole Cody,

A place where even squares can have a ball,

We still wave Old Glory down at the courthouse,

And white lightning's still the biggest thrill of all.



Iglar and friends at Mt. Rushmore

Club Spotlight

Students on the move

Commuter Students Association provides a forum for 4,000 off-campus members

Darcie Macintire
Staff Writer

The Commuter Students Association a new club on campus, provides off-campus students leadership and membership opportunities.

Although it was officially registered with Student Organizations last November, Club President Scott Carr, says there has been a need for more recognition of the more than 4,000 commuter students who attend USD.

"We started CSA to give a voice to a bunch of students who don't have a voice," Carr said.

Parking is one of the issues Carr has focused on. He says that CSA has had meetings with parking services about building a parking structure. "The funds and plans are there" Carr said. "We are just waiting for the city's approval."

Susan Payment, CSA adviser, assists the board members in decision-making. "CSA examines policies and services currently available to commuter students," she said.

Payment also said the club is trying to extend administrative hours, organize carpooling and co-sponsor events with AS.

Payment added that CSA is responsible for the Commuter Student Handbook, which includes safety information, the phone numbers of local service stations, a campus map and information on local areas. Copies are available in the Student Affairs Office.

CSA has also held three nighttime snack breaks in various locations on campus. Payment said the breaks give members a chance to meet other commuter students and encourages them to attend CSA meetings.

Carr said it is especially difficult to coordinate times for commuter students to meet and to get the word out.

"So far," Carr said, "we have put out flyers and used word of mouth to inform people about the club."

Although CSA has existed in various phases throughout the years, the club needed to motivate people to get it off the ground — they saw it as a worthwhile endeavor.

The club consists of eight members, several are graduating seniors. There are many leadership chances and opportunities to begin new events and traditions on and off campus, said Carr.

The last meeting for the year is April 27th in Loma Hall, room 321, from 12:15 to 1:15.




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